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Metabolic Biochemistry 7 CFU = 6+1

Lecture

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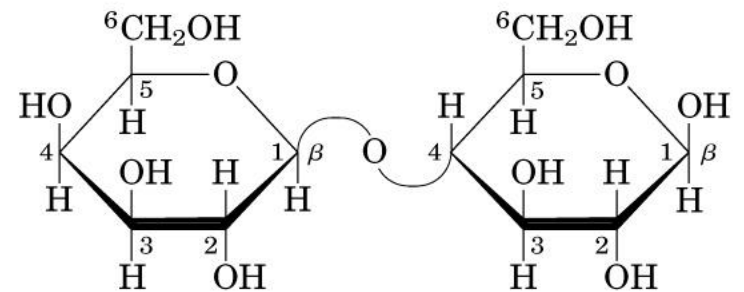
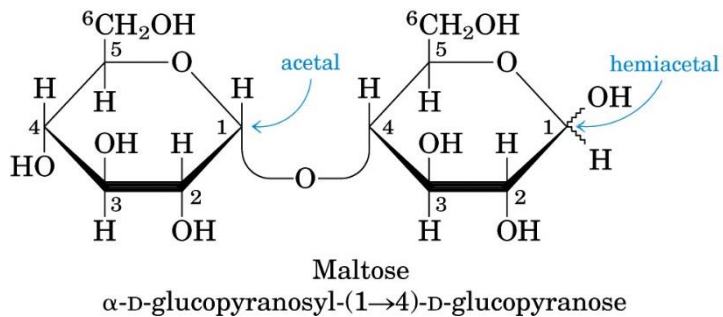
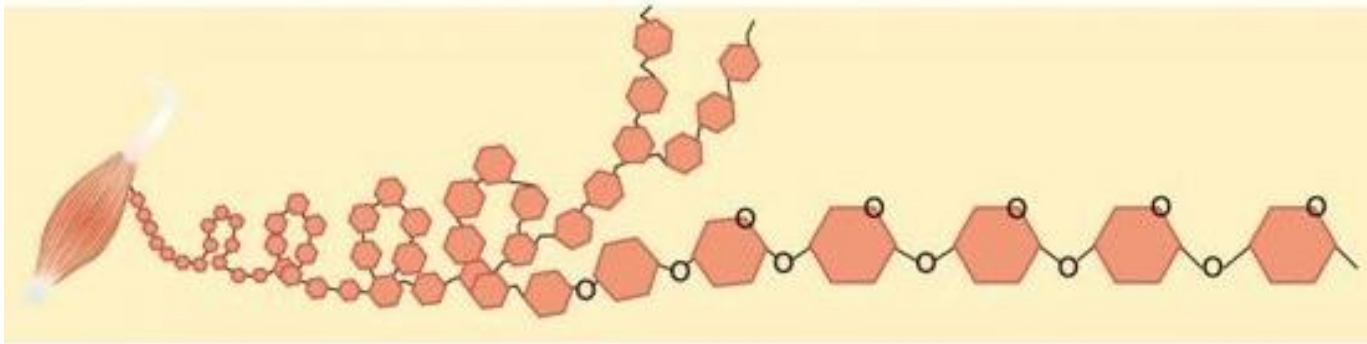
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Metabolism of Carbohydrates



Lactose (β form)
β-D-galactopyranosyl-(1→4)-β-D-glucopyranose
Gal(β1→4)Glc

Digestion and Absorption of carbohydrates

Major carbohydrates consumed daily with the diet are **mono- di- and polysaccharides**

Fructose	Fruit, honey
Glucose	Fruit, honey, grape
Amylopectin	Potatoes, rice, maize, bread
Amylose	Potatoes, rice, maize, bread
Sucrose	Table sugar, sweets
Trehalose	Young mushroom
Lactose	milk and dairy products
Raffinose	Legume seeds

Digestion and Absorption of carbohydrates

Monosaccharides such as glucose and fructose are absorbed directly.

Disaccharides require enzyme of the small intestinal cells

Poly-saccharides require enzyme (pancreatic amylase) or other enzyme on intestinal surface.

Digestion of carbohydrates

Carbohydrates begin digestion in the mouth

Starch and glycogen are digested by α salivary amylase

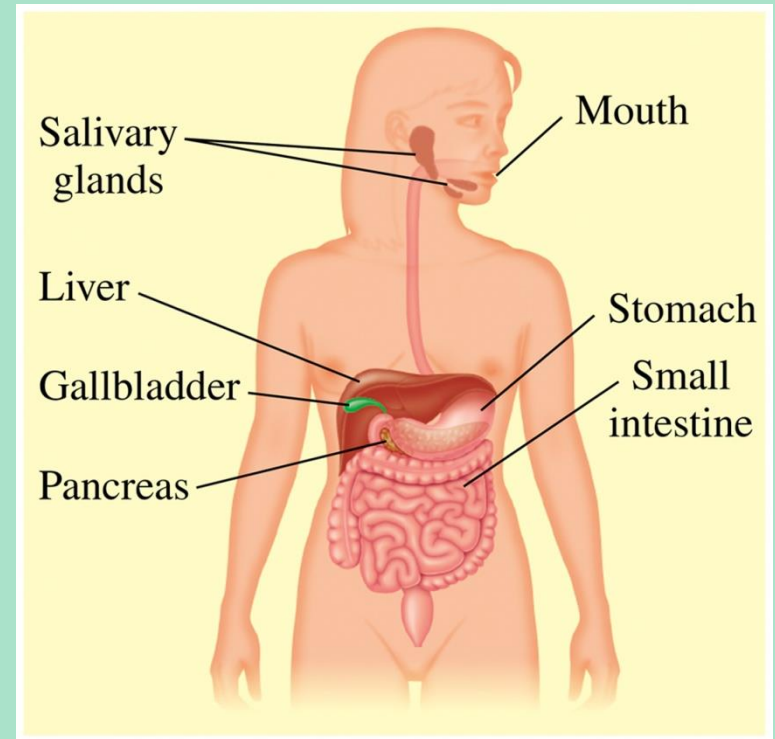
breaks down polysaccharides into smaller polysaccharides (dextrans), maltose, and some glucose.

$\alpha(1\rightarrow4)$ glycosidic

2) α -amylase is inactivated by the low pH in the stomach

3) Small intestine: pancreatic α -amylase continues the breakdown process

Other $\alpha(1\rightarrow4)$ glycosidic bonds



Digestion of carbohydrates

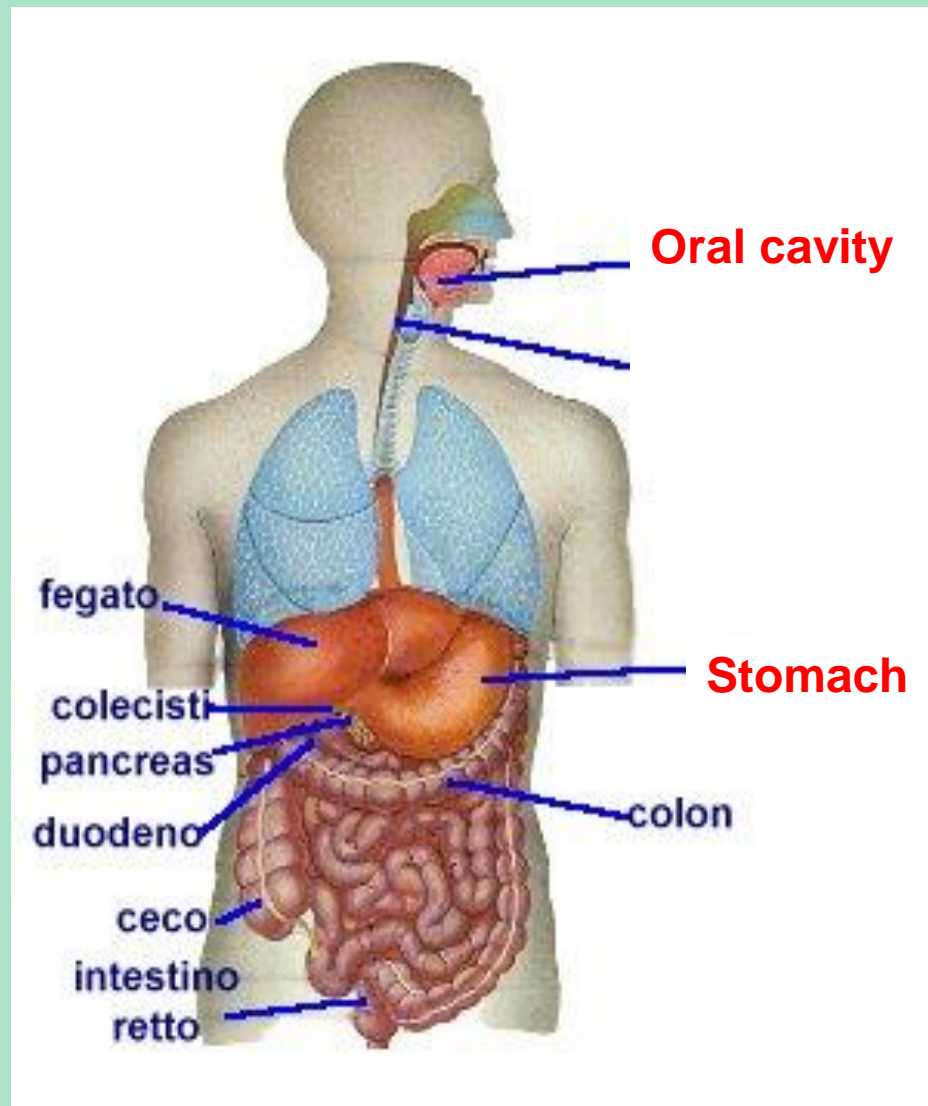
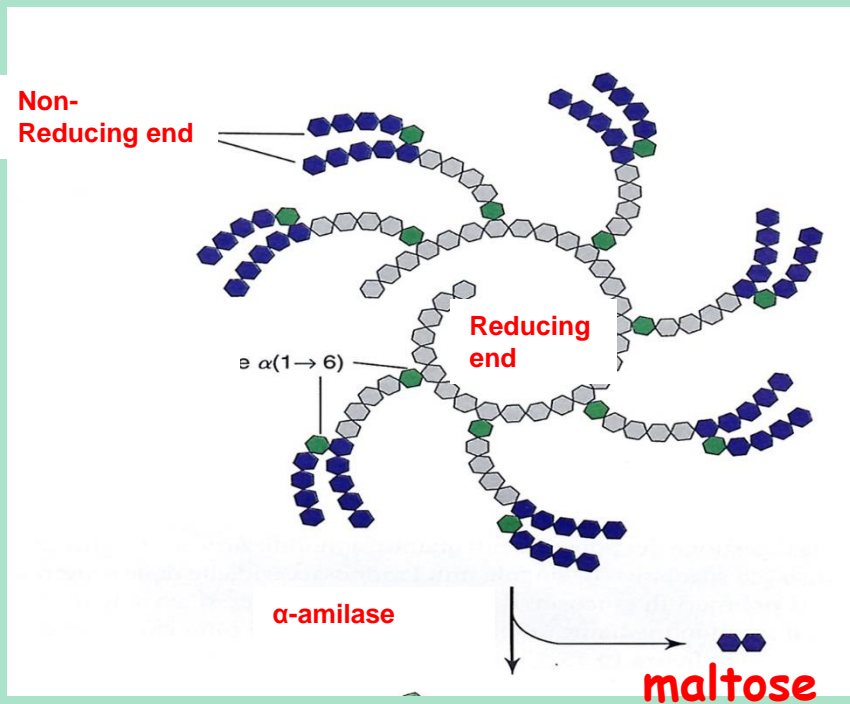
Pancreatic α -amilase

The products are mainly:



Maltose
Maltotriose
dextrins

trisaccharide



α -Dextrins: about 8 glucose units contain at least one $\alpha(1 \rightarrow 6)$ glycosidic bond

Digestion are completed by enzyme product from
Brush border intestinal α -glucosidase

Enzyme

maltose

maltase \rightarrow Glucose(α 1- \rightarrow 4)Glucose

saccharose

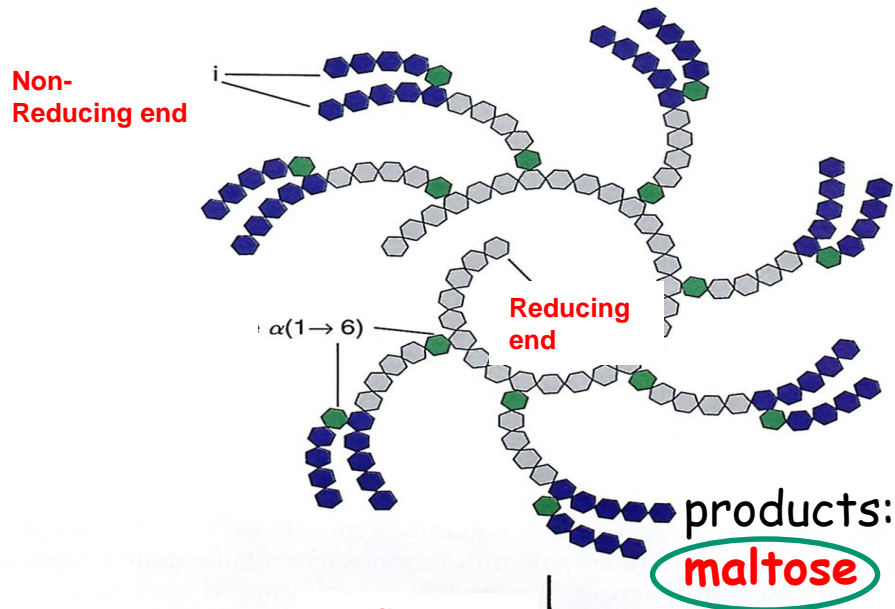
saccharase \rightarrow glucose (α 1- \rightarrow β 2)fructose

lactose

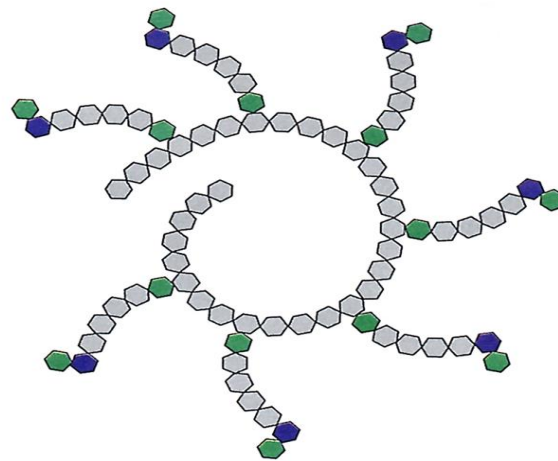
lactase \rightarrow galactose (β 1- \rightarrow 4) + glucose

dextrins

α (1 \rightarrow 6) glucosidase o dextrinase



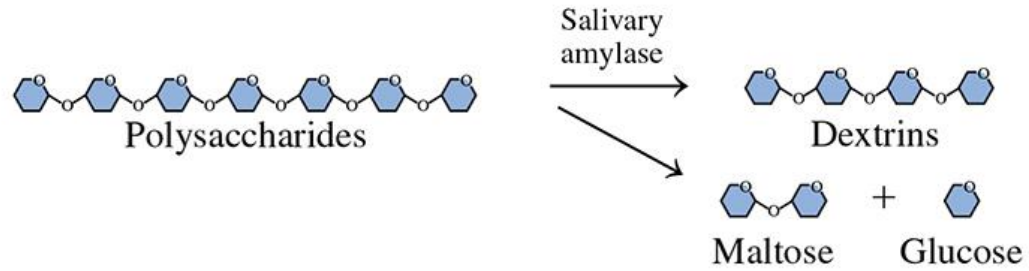
α -amylase



$\alpha(1 \rightarrow 6)$ glucosidase

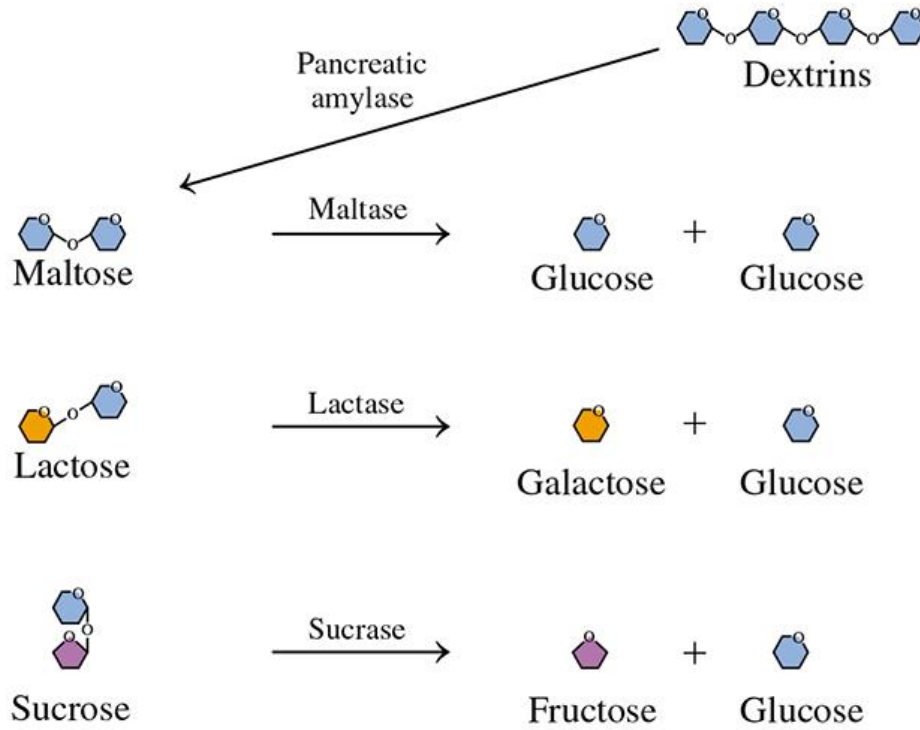


Mouth



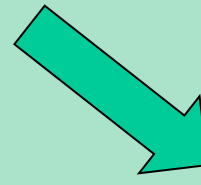
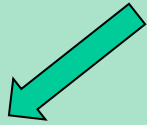
Stomach

Small Intestine



Bloodstream

Glucose Transporters



GLUTs 14 types
Sodium and ATP-independent

Sodium dependent
SGLTs
Require ATP

GLUT1
Blood,
Heart

GLUT2
Small
intestine,
Liver,
Pancreas

SGLT1
Enterocyte

GLUT3
Brain, Neuron

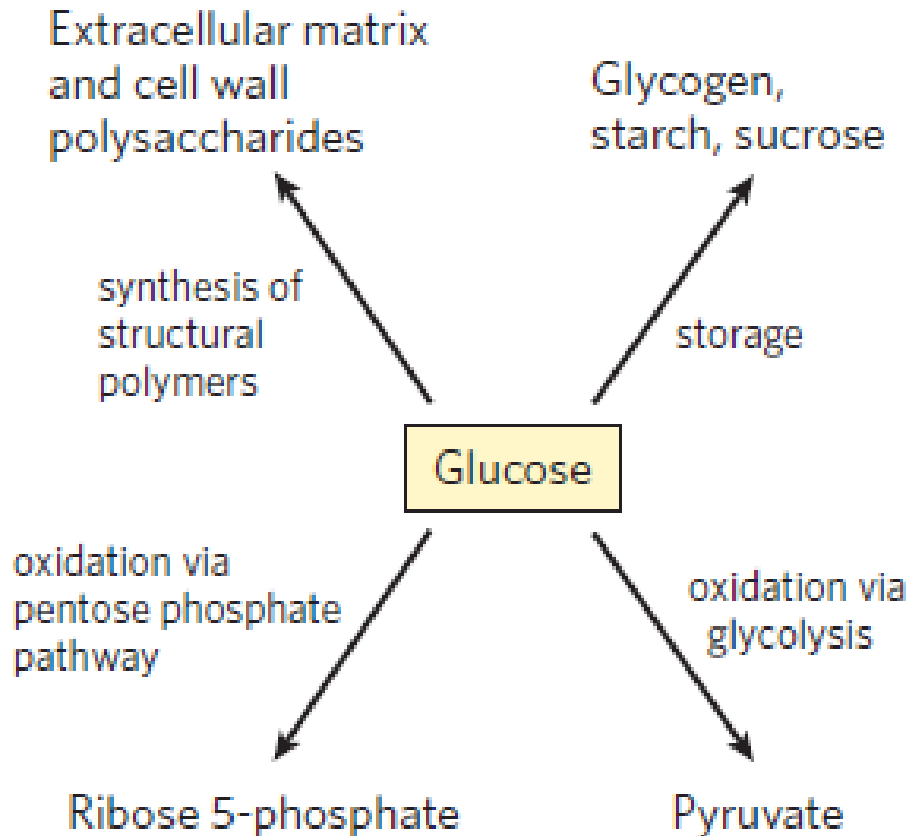
SGLT2
Kidney

GLUT4
Skeletal muscle,
Adipose tissue,
Heart

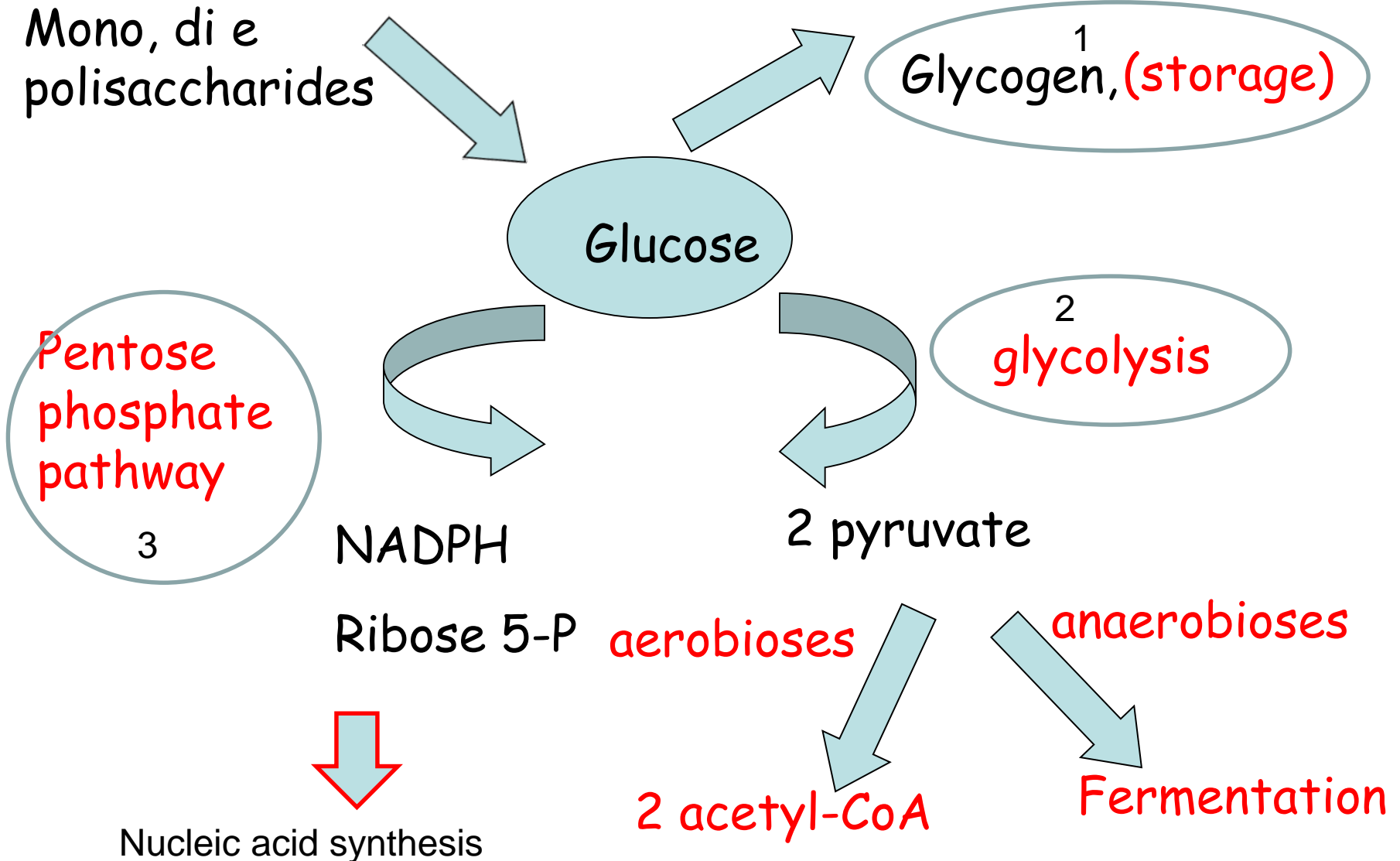
GLUT5
Enterocyte
(Fructose
transporter)

Glucose occupies a central position in the metabolism of plants, animals, and many microorganisms.

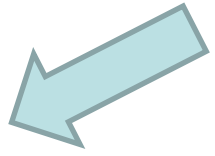
Four pathways are the most significant



Glucose introduced through the diet has three fates:



Glycolysis



Glycolysis is a metabolic pathway that occur in **cytosol**
And converts glucose in two pyruvate molecules generating
metabolic energy to form **ATP**.

Glycolysis precedes the Krebs cycle and the electrons transport chain, (in the aerobic organisms) with glucose is completely oxidated to H_2O and CO_2 .



$$\Delta G'^{\circ} = -2840 \text{ kJ/mol (32 ATP molecules)}$$

GLYCOLYSIS

Greek words:

Glykys = sweet

Lysis = breakdown/ splitting

Glycolysis

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graph TD; A([Glycolysis]) --> B([10 enzymatic reactions]); B --> C([5 enzymatic reactions]); B --> D([5 enzymatic reactions]);
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10 enzymatic reactions

5 enzymatic reactions

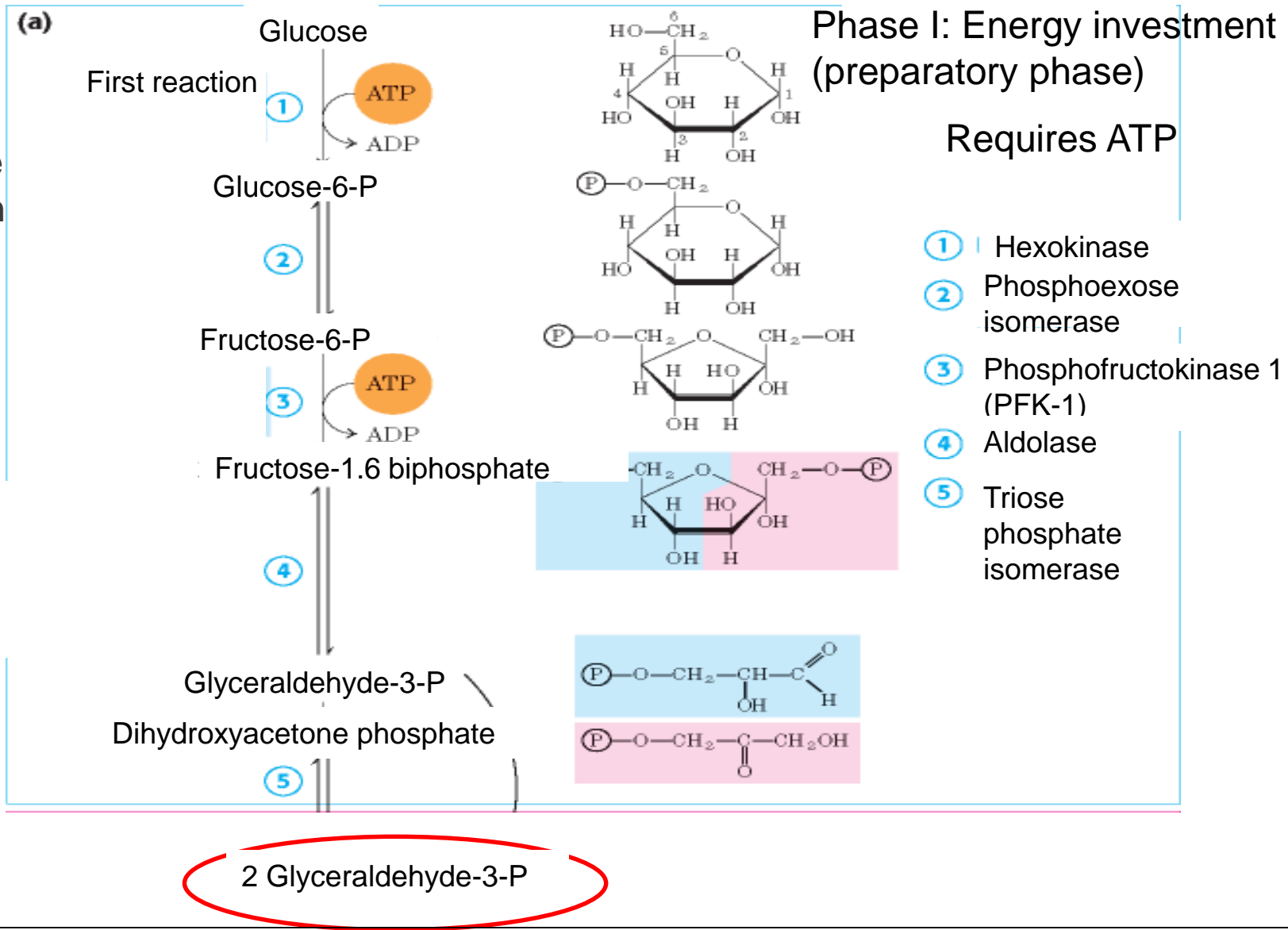
Phase I: Energy investment
(preparatory phase)

5 enzymatic reactions

Phase II: Energy recovery
(Pay off)

GLYCOLYSIS is the sequence of **10 enzyme-catalyzed reactions** that converts glucose into pyruvate with simultaneous production of ATP.

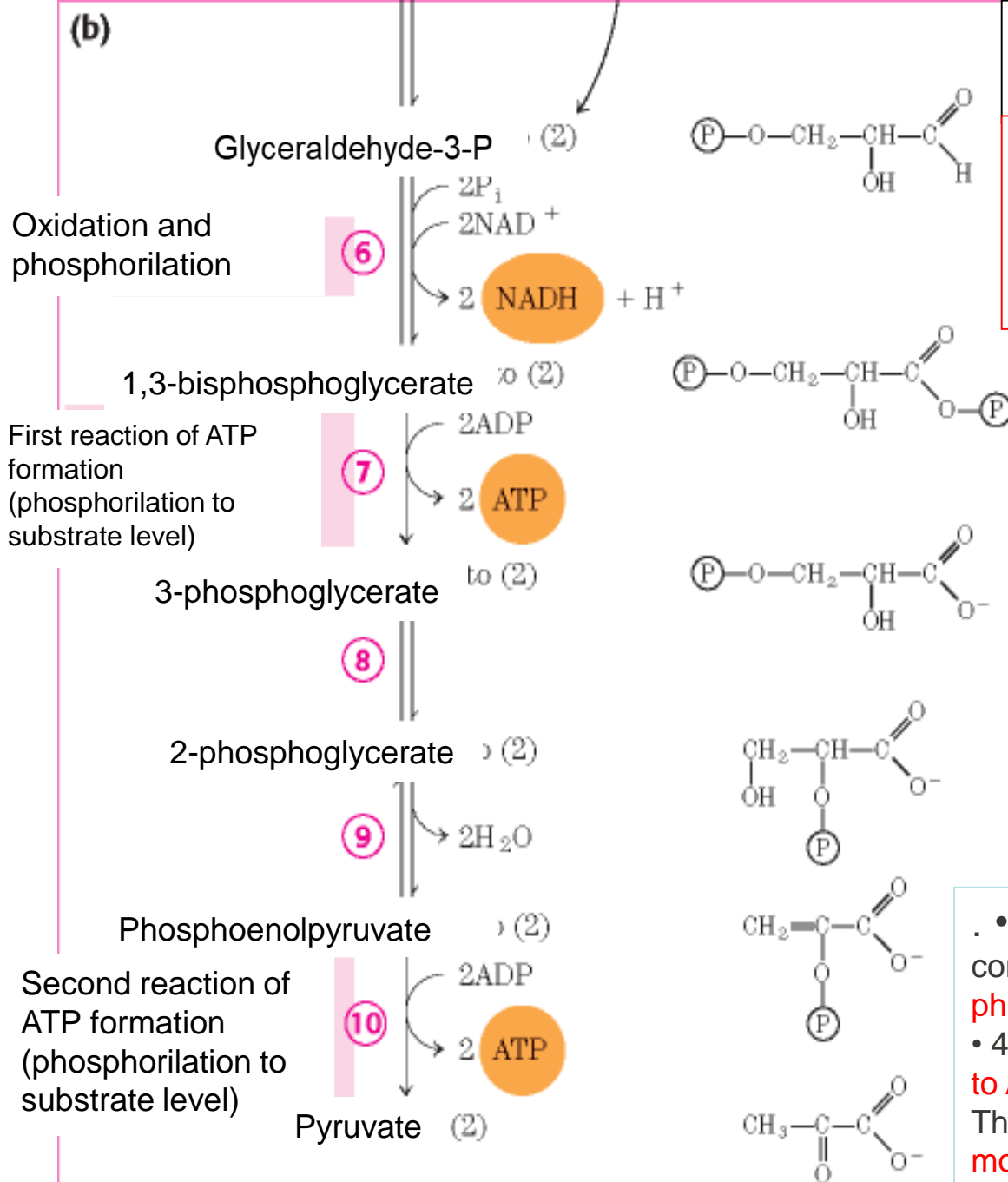
First phase requires an investment of **2 ATP** molecules



- It consists of the 1st 5 steps in which the glucose is enzymatically **phosphorylated** by ATP to yield **Glucose 6-phosphate** and **Fructose-1,6-biphosphate**.
- Fructose-1,6-biphosphate is then split in half to yield 2 molecules of 3-carbon containing **Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate/ dihydroxyacetone phosphate**.

Phase II: Energy recovery (Payoff Phase)

Glyceraldehyde-3-P is converted to pyruvate. Formation of ATP and NADH



6 Glyceraldehyde-3-P isomerase

7 Phosphoglycerate isomerase

8 Phosphoglycerate mutase

9 Enolase

10 Pyruvate kinase

- Release of ATP molecules during conversion of **Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate** to 2 moles of **Pyruvate**.
- 4 molecules of **ADP** are phosphorylated to **ATP**.

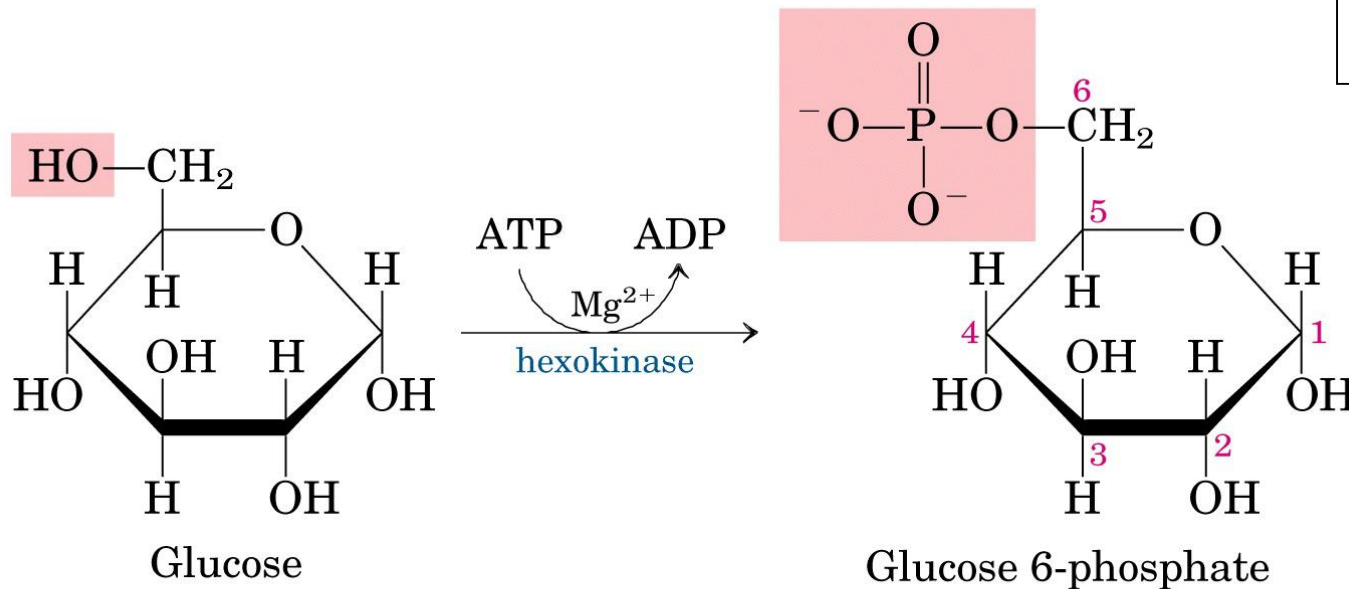
The net result is **2 moles of ATP** from **1 molecule** of Glucose oxidized, since 2 moles of ATP are utilized in Phase 1.

Reaction 1: First ATP Utilization

Transfer of a phosphoryl group from ATP to glucose

Enzym: **Hexokinase (HK)**

Kinases are a subclass of transferases



Kinases requires Mg++ for its activity

Irreversible reaction

$$\Delta G'^{\circ} = -16.7 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

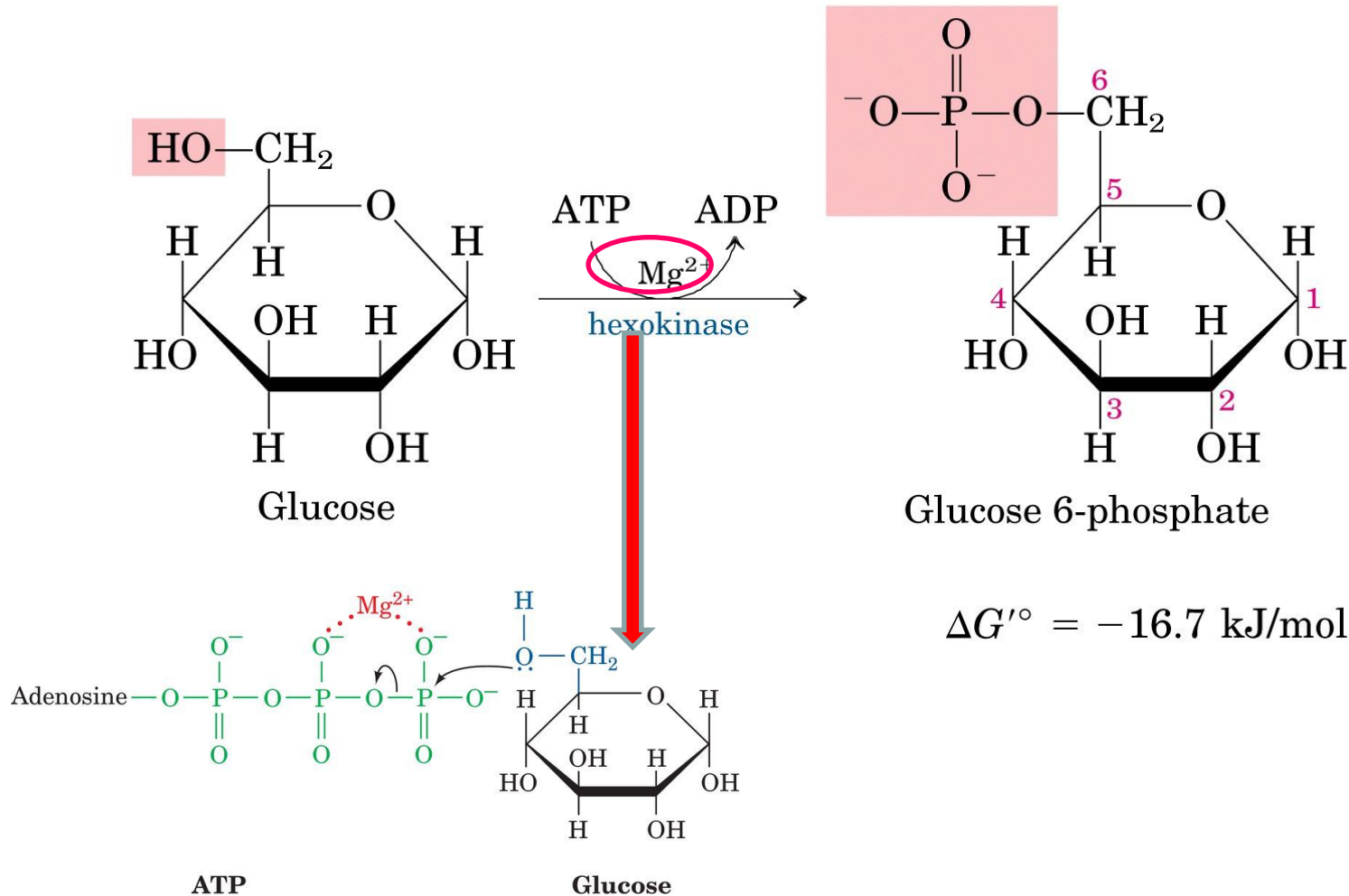
Glucose is phosphorylated by ATP to form glucose 6-phosphate.

- This is an irreversible reaction (catalyzed by hexokinase).

Glucose (enters the cell by hormonal stimulation) and is immediately phosphorylated at 6 position.

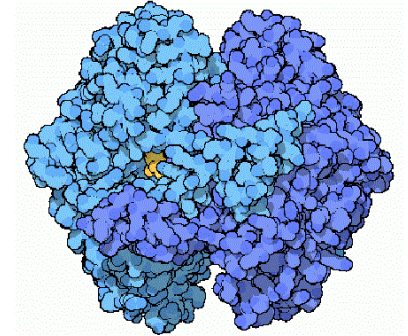
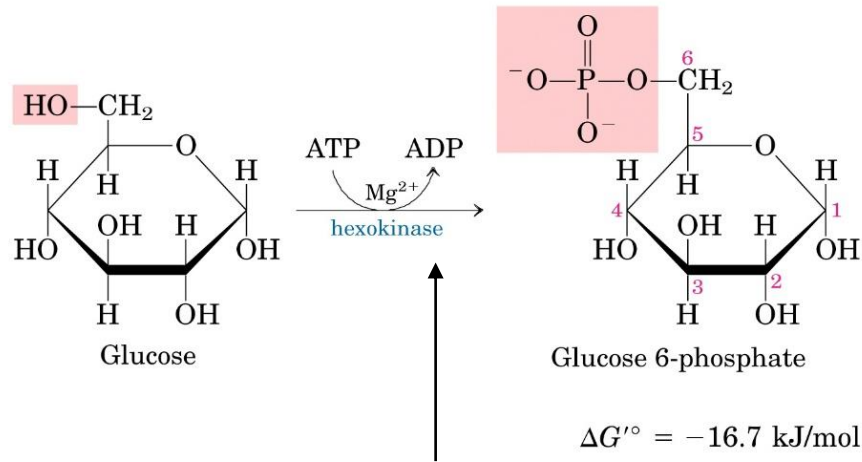
The reaction is catalyzed by **glucokinase** in liver and **hexokinase** in muscle and brain.

Kinases transfer a phosphate group from ATP to substrates.



Hexokinase belongs to the class of **Transferases**

The suffix **hexo** is relative to the substrate, a sugar with six carbon atoms

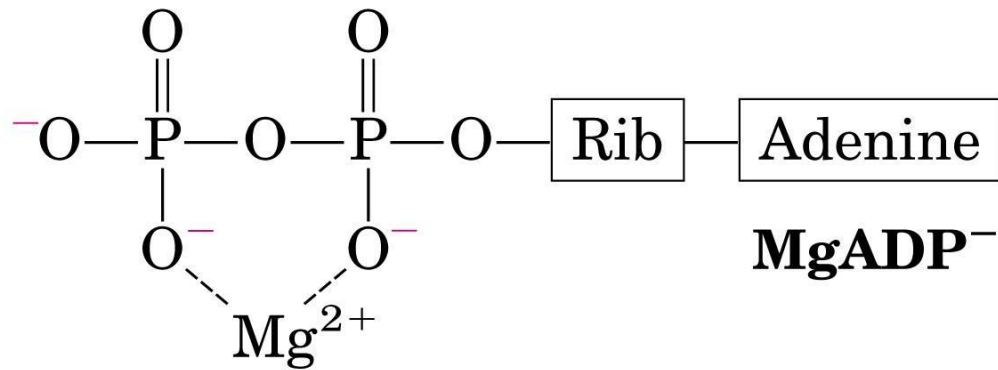
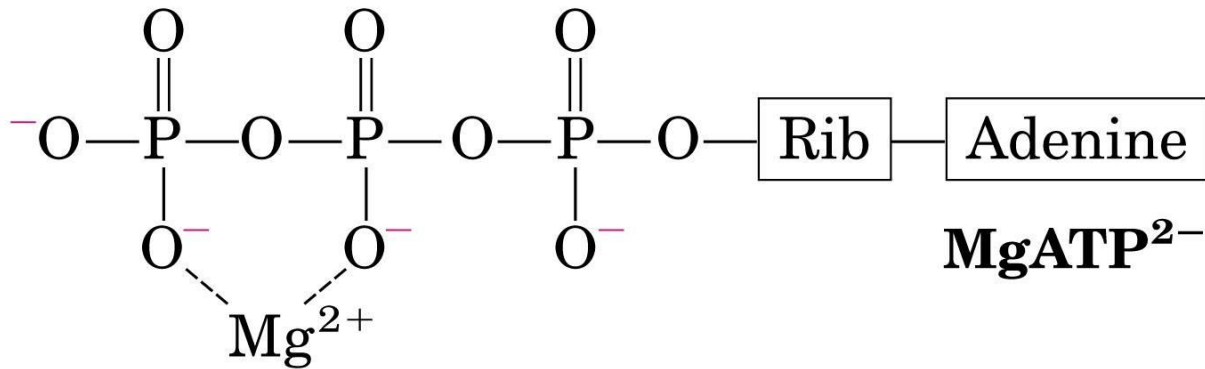


Mg²⁺ is required.

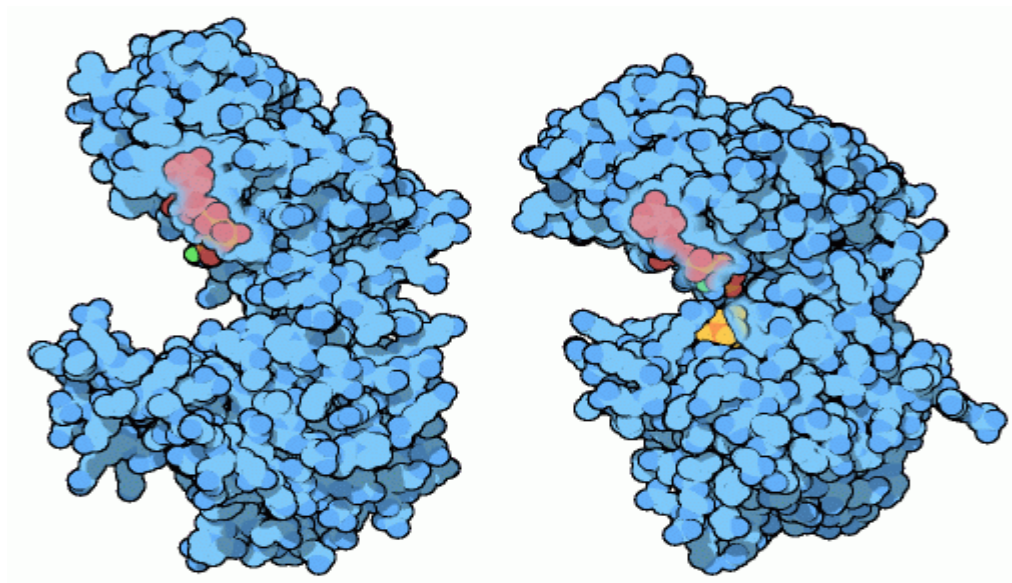
At the level of the **active site**, γ -phosphate of ATP is made more susceptible to nucleophilic attack by the OH⁻ group of the C6 of glucose.

Mg^{2+} is required.

The true substrate is the $MgATP^{2-}$ complex in which the divalent cation forms a saline bridge with the negative charges

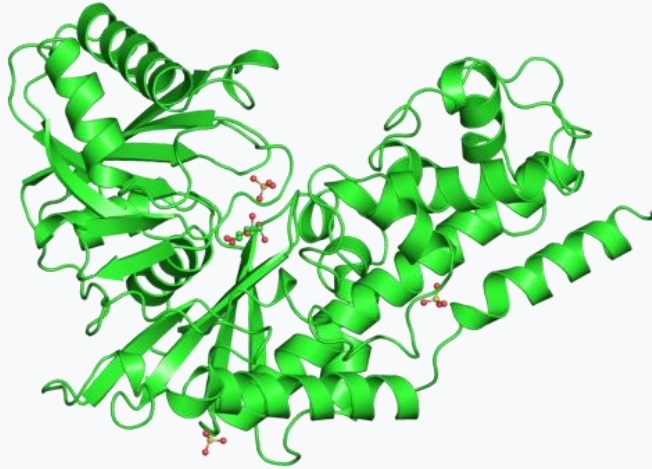


The three-dimensional structure has shown that the **enzyme is bilobed**, with the active site that closes in a ring when glucose recognition occurs



This change in the conformation of the enzyme with the substrate is an example of «induced adaptation»

4 isoforms of hexokinase (I-IV) **encoded by four different genes** with specific tissue expression are described:



In the **muscle**, hexokinase I, II, III are expressed.

In the **liver**, hexokinase IV, (**called glucokinase**) is expressed.

Hexokinase IV have particular kinetic and regulatory characteristics.

Hexokinase preferably uses glucose as an acceptor of the phosphate group, but in other tissues it can also use other hexoses such as

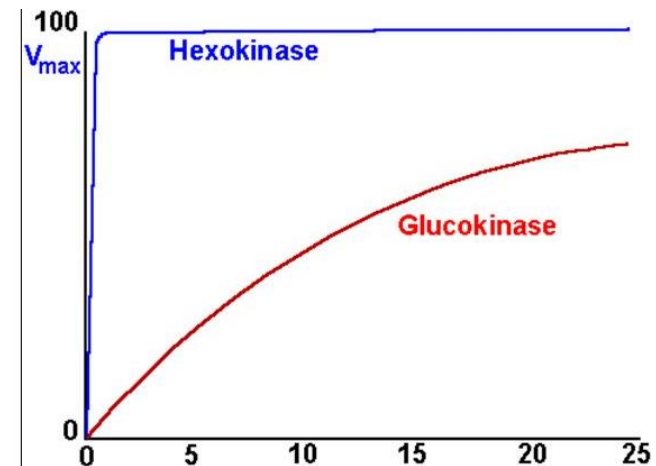
D-fructose or D-mannose.

The different forms of hexokinase present in the **liver** and **muscle** reflect the different role these organs play in carbohydrate metabolism:

- **Muscle** uses glucose to produce energy:
- it needs a source of glucose that can be quickly used during anaerobic oxidation following muscle contraction.
- **Rapid ATP production**

Liver maintains a constant blood glucose concentration:

- producing and exporting glucose to different tissues based on individual needs
- - removing and storing glucose as glycogen when there is an excessive intake from the diet

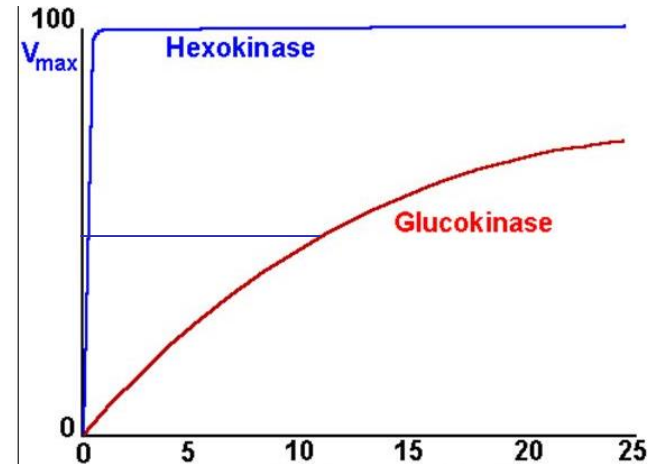


The role of glucose in the **liver** is to regulate blood sugar.

While in the **muscle** it is to produce energy

High affinity for glucose: since the glucose that enters the myocytes from the blood is sufficient to saturate the enzyme, it always works at maximum speed

Few concentration of glucose are converted to glucose 6-phosphate and sent towards glycolysis.



K_m
Muscle is low

K_m
Liver is high

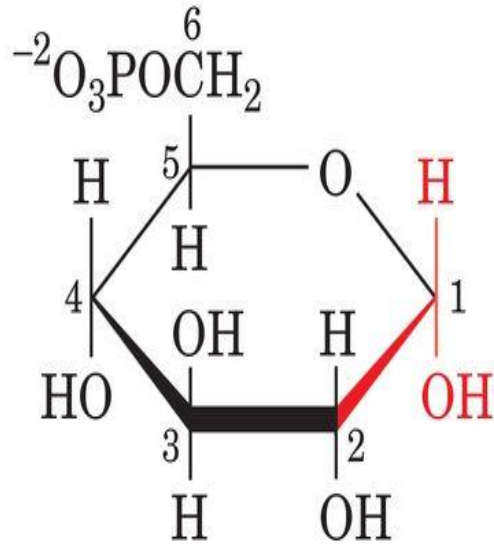
Lower affinity for glucose. the glucose concentration at which the enzyme is half saturated is higher than the normal concentration of glucose in the blood.

When concentration of glucose exceeds blood concentration (5mM), glucose sent towards glycolysis

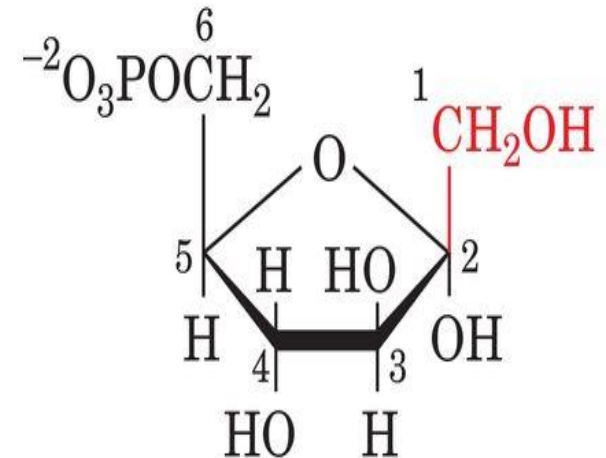
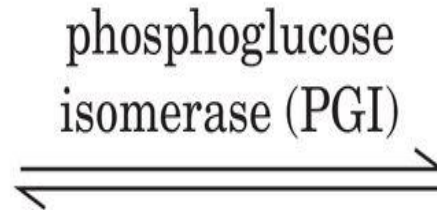
Reaction 2: Reversible isomerization of an aldose to ketose

Conversion of **Glucose-6-phosphates (G6P)**, to **fructose-6-phosphates (F6P)**, by **phosphohexose isomerase (PGI= also called PhosphoGlucose Isomerase)**

PGI converts reversibly glucose in fructose



Glucose-6-phosphate (G6P)



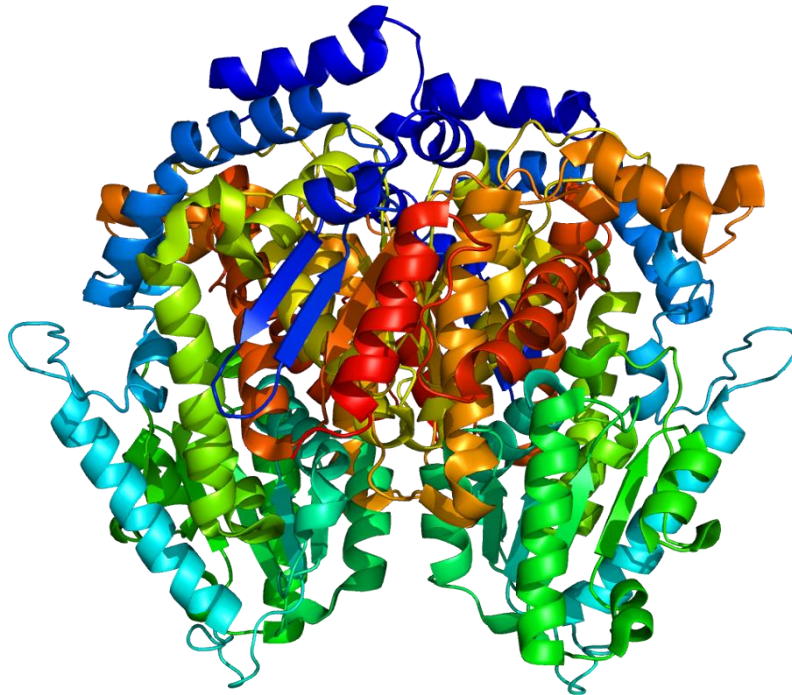
Fructose-6-phosphate (F6P)

$$\Delta G'^{\circ} = -1,7 \text{ kJ/mole}$$

Isomerization of the aldose **Glucose 6-phosphate** gives the ketose:
Fructose-6-phosphate.

Reversible isomerization of an aldose to ketose

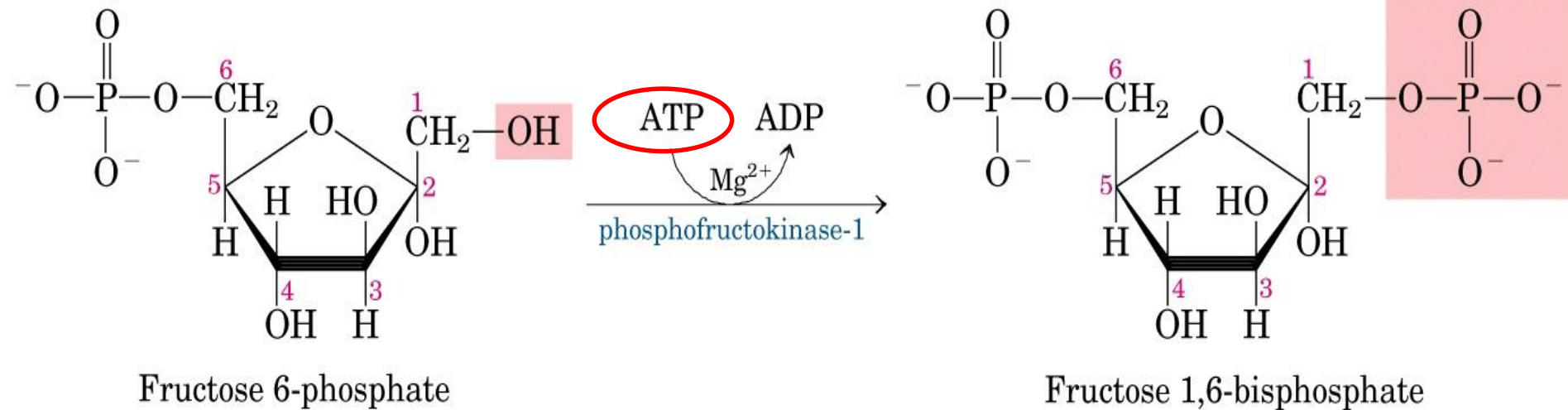
Phosphohexose isomerase (PGI= also called PhosphoGlucose Isomerase)



Reaction 3: Second ATP Utilization

PHOPHORYLATION

Fructose-6-phosphate is again phosphorilated (by ATP) on C-1 and forms Fructose-1,6-bisphosphate by phosphofructokinase-1 (PFK-1).



This is an irreversible reaction

catalyzed by phosphofructokinase enzyme.

$$\Delta G'^{\circ} = -14.2 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

Phosphofructokinase-1 (PFK-1).

The enzyme is a tetramer formed by two pairs of α and β subunits

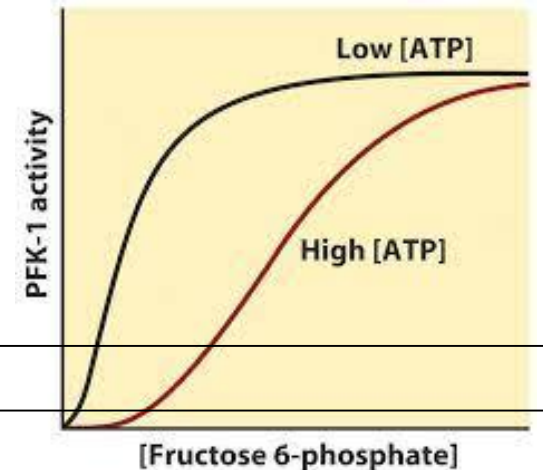
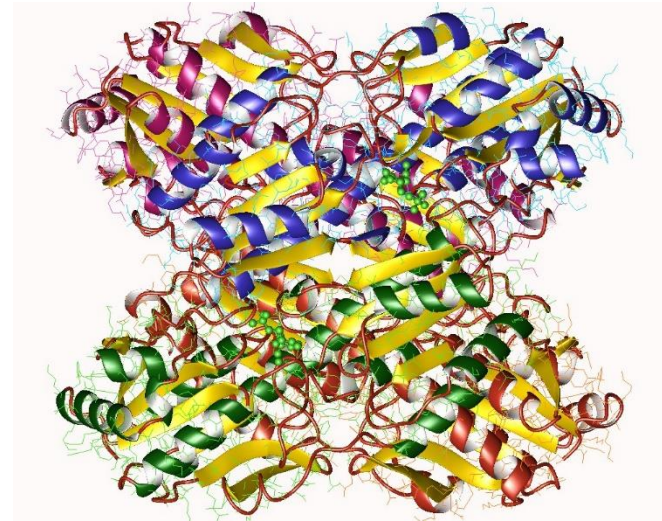
ATP is the phosphate donor and forms an ester bond with the C1 of the fructose 6 phosphate.

It is a stage of regulation

It is inhibited by high intracellular ATP levels.

It is triggered by high levels of ADP and AMP

Requires Mg^{2+}



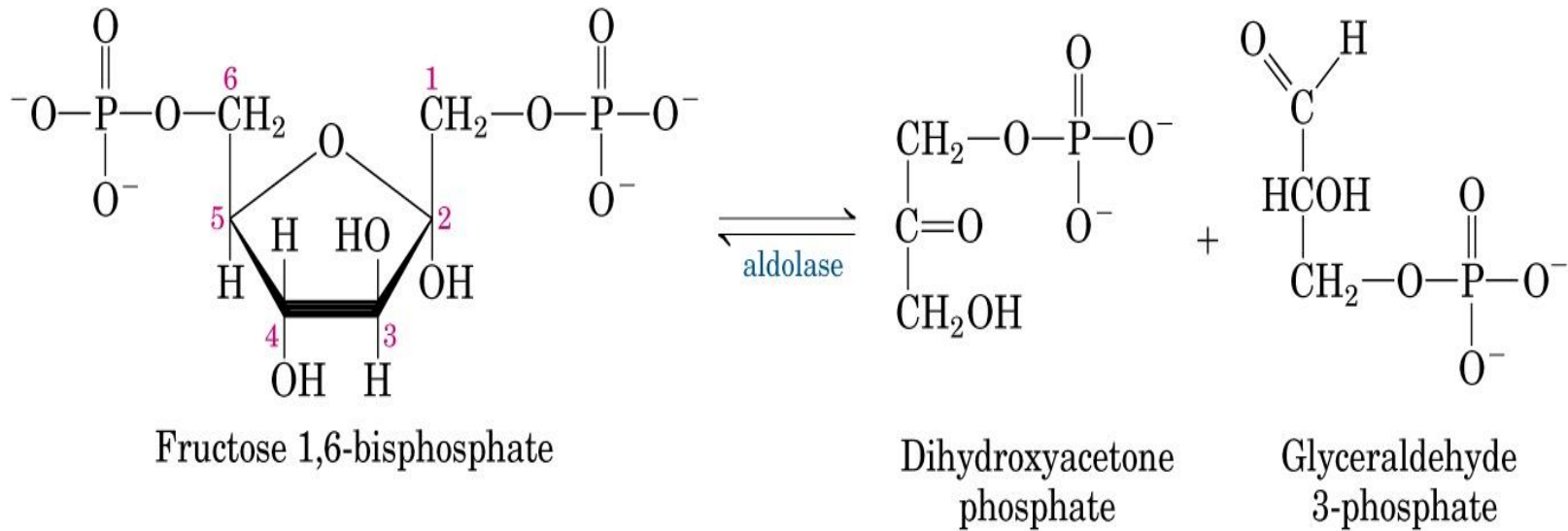
Reaction 4:

BREAKDOWN

Fructose 1,6-bisphosphate is cleaved to yield two molecules with 3 carbon atoms:

dihydroxyacetone phosphate (DHAP)

glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate (GAP)



- This reaction is catalyzed by **Aldolase**.

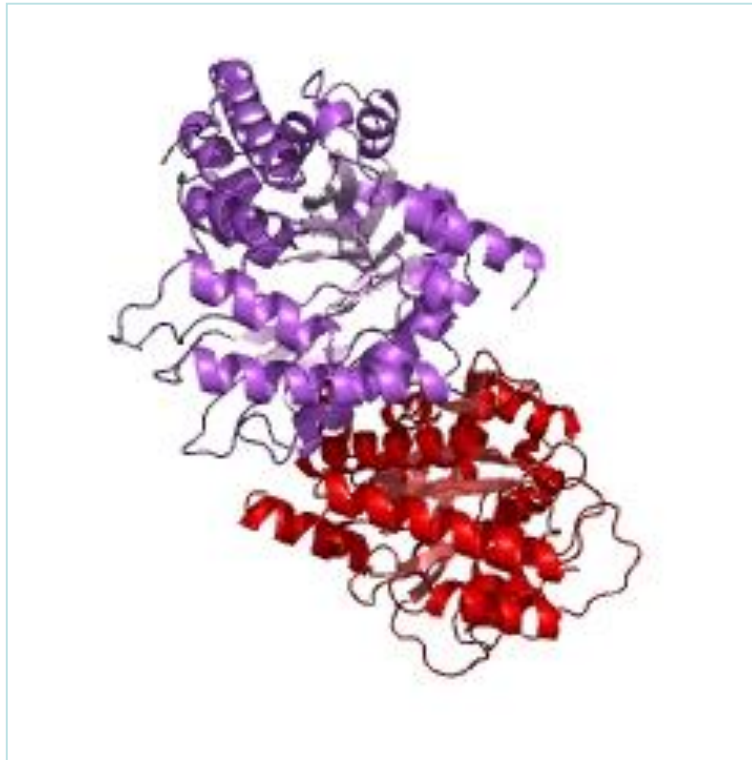
$$\Delta G'^{\circ} = 23.8 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

The reaction is **Reversible**

Fructose 1,6-bisphosphate aldolase is constituted by

4 identical subunits:

Each subunit contains an active site, characterized by the presence of a **lysine**



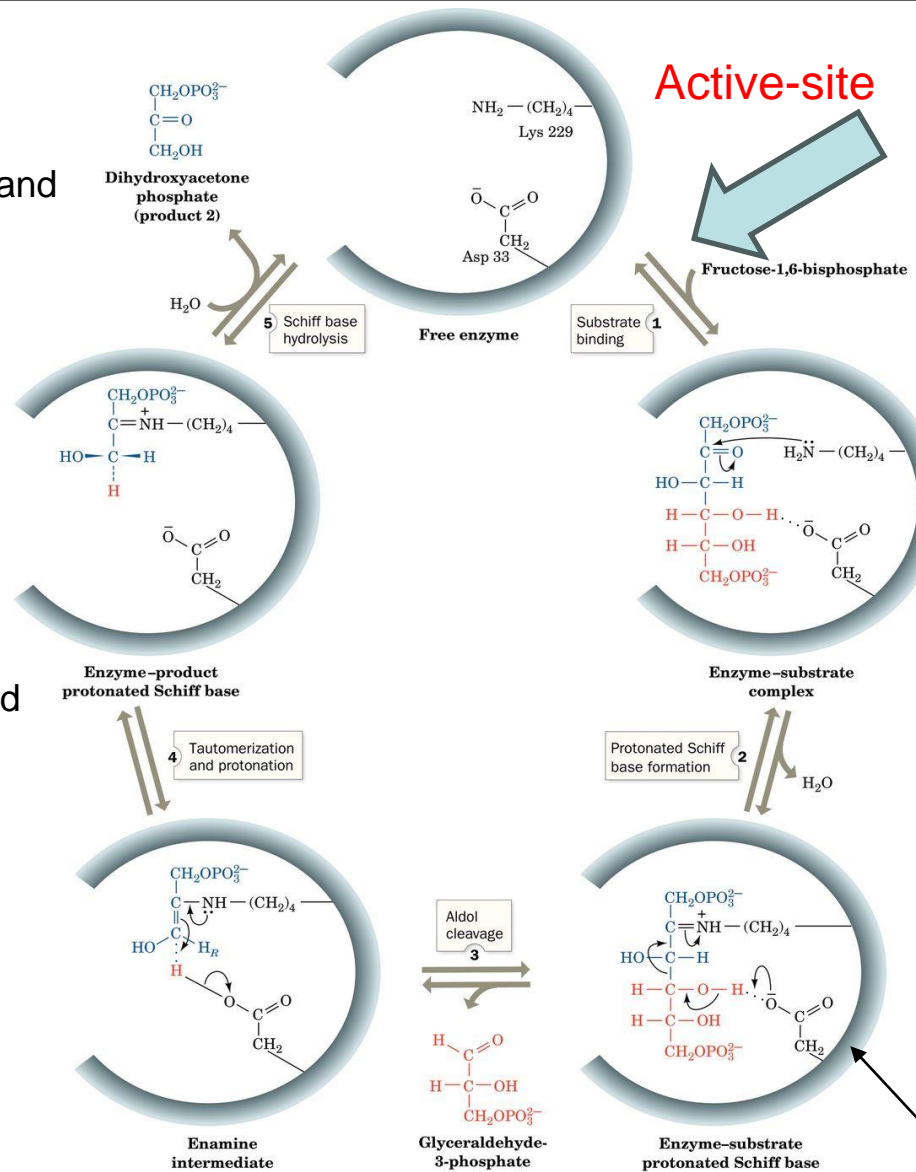
Fructose 1,6-bisphosphate -> dihydroxyacetone phosphate + glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate

Aldolase catalyzed a **aldol splitting** (the opposite of aldol condensation)

Fructose 1,6-bisphosphate -> dihydroxyacetone phosphate + glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate

STEP 5:

Schiff base hydrolyzed and released DHAP

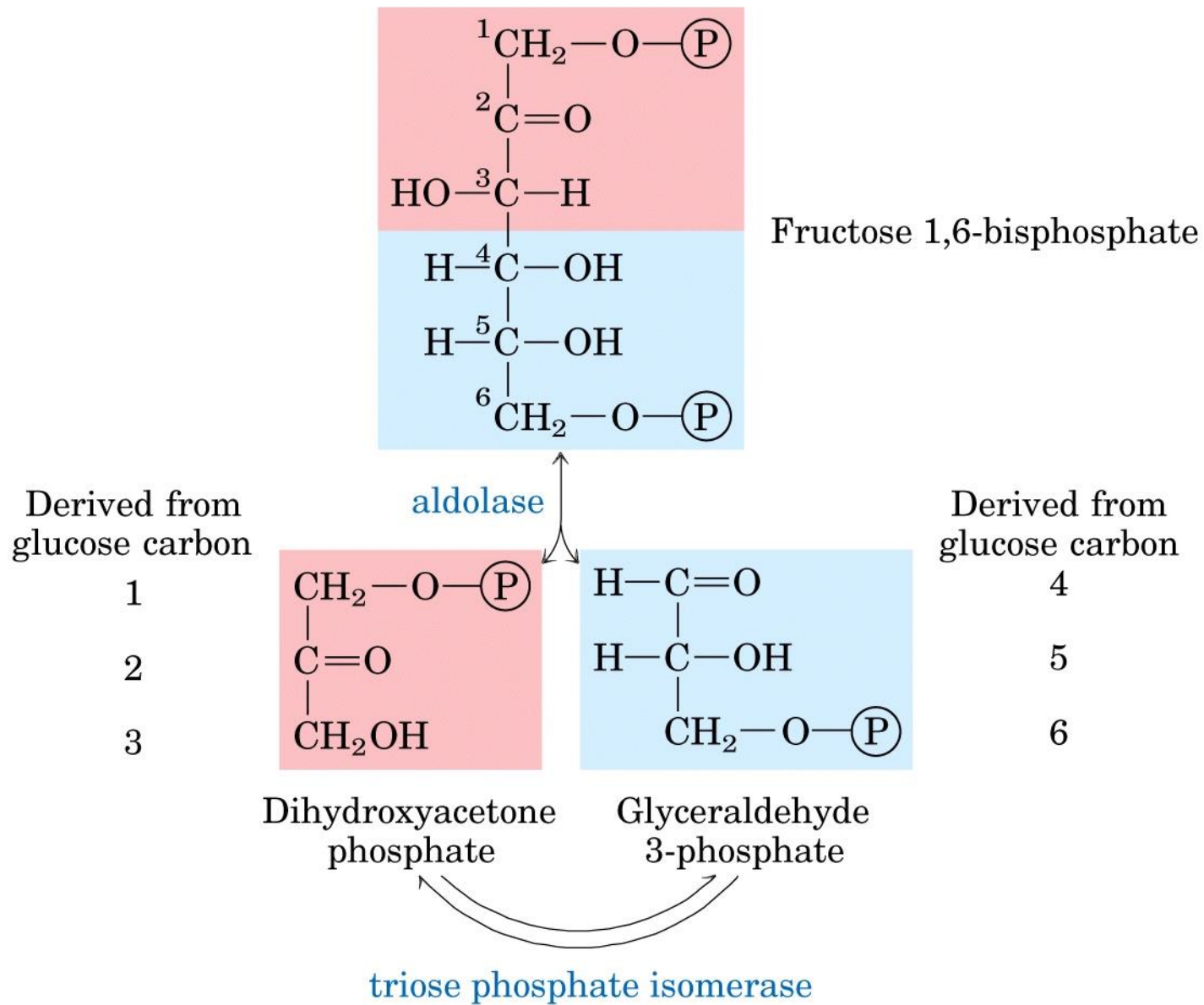


Step 1:
Binding and opening the ring
Fructose 1,6 bisphosphates binds the active site

Step 2:
Formation of the Schiff base between the C2 of the ketose and the epsilon-amino group of the lysine of the enzyme

STEP 3:

Asp residue leads to the breaking of the bond between C3 and 4 and the glyceraldehyde 3 phosphate is released.

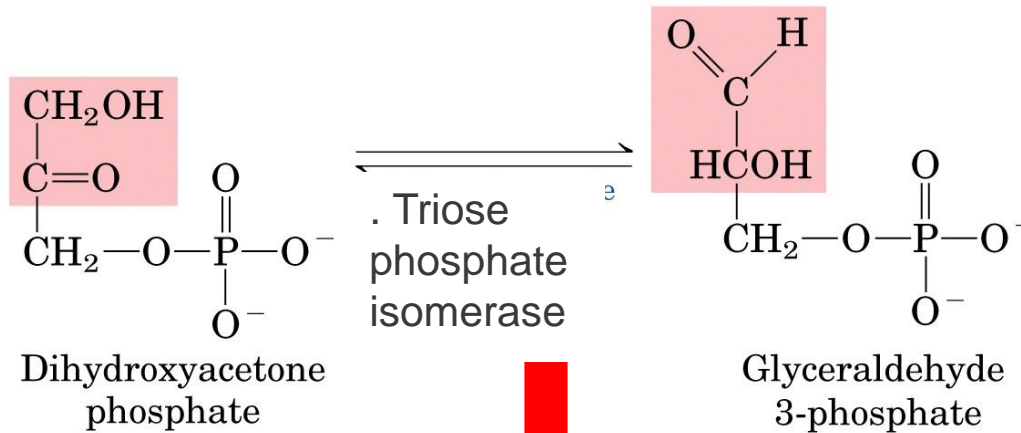


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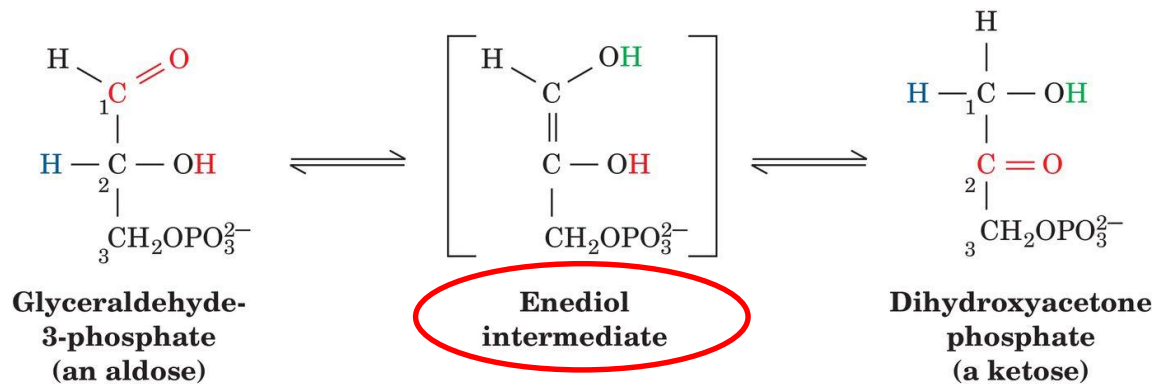
Reaction 5

ISOMERIZATION •

Dihydroxyacetone phosphate is oxidized to form Glyceraldehyde -3-phosphate by **triose phosphate isomerase (TIM)**



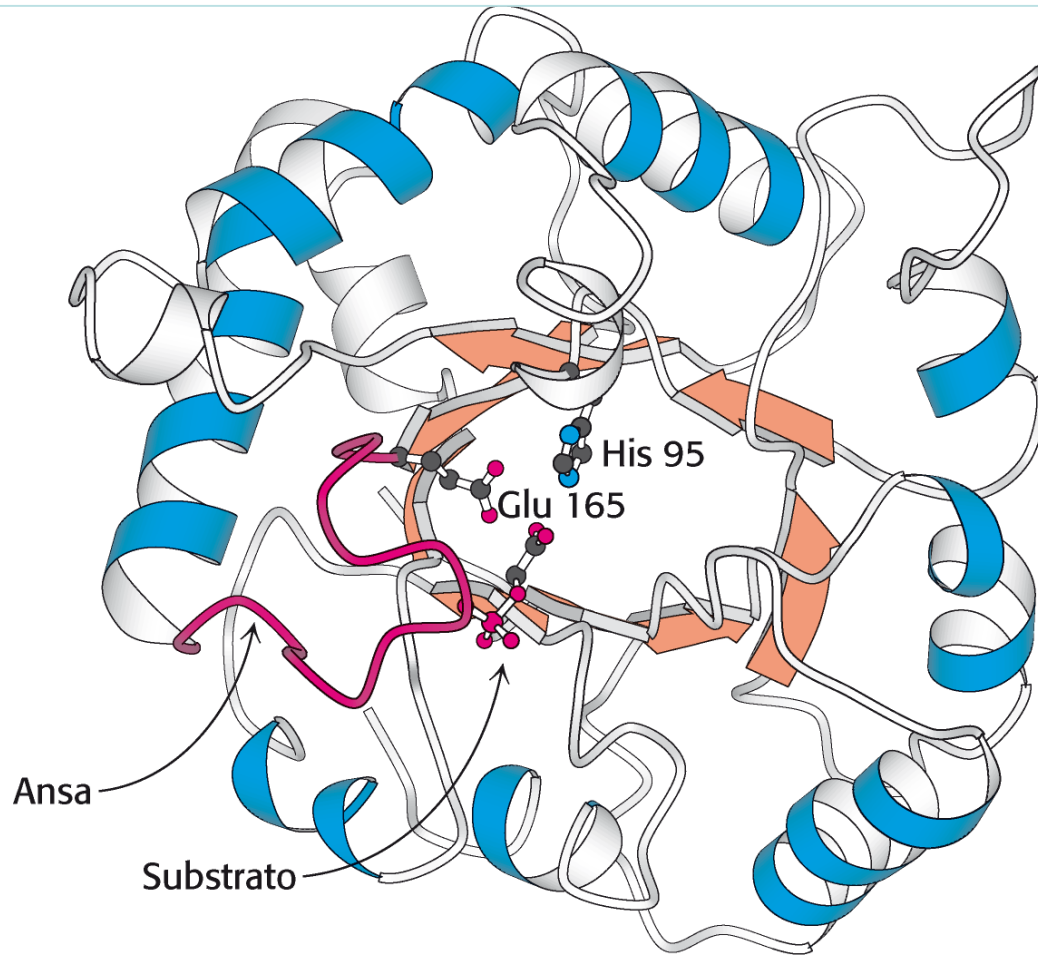
$$\Delta G'^{\circ} = 7.5 \text{ kJ/mol}$$



Glycolysis continues to double stechiometria

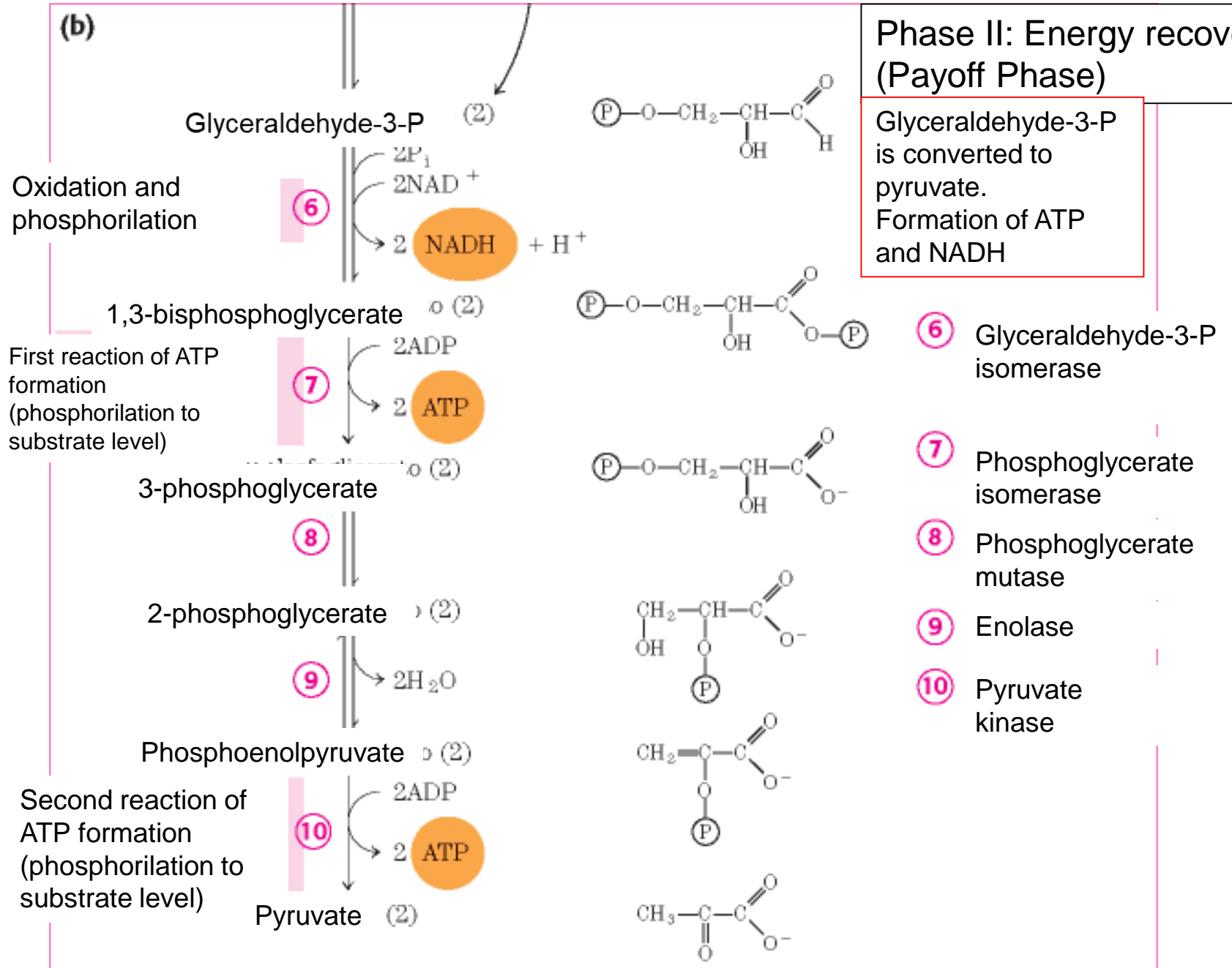
Triose phosphate isomerase

Triose phosphate isomerase is a dimer composed of identical subunits,
Active site of the enzyme contains a glutamate residue, involved in the catalytic mechanism.



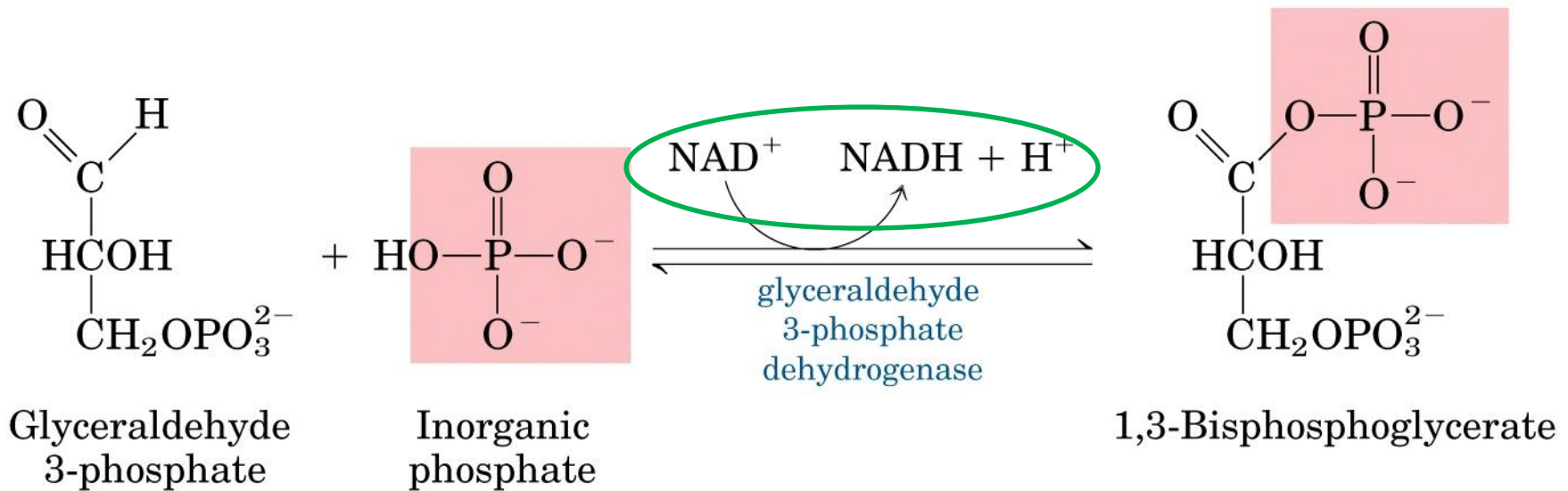
Phase II: Energy recovery (Payoff Phase)

Glyceraldehyde-3-P is converted to pyruvate. Formation of ATP and NADH



Reaction 6: Oxidation and Phosphorilation of glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate to 1,3-bisphosphoglycerate

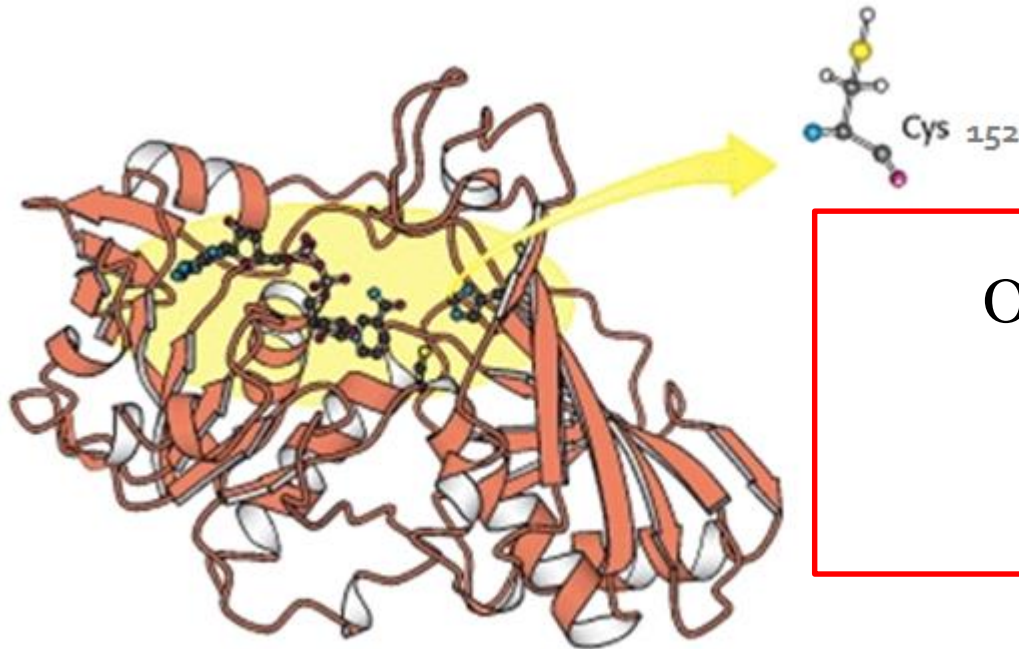
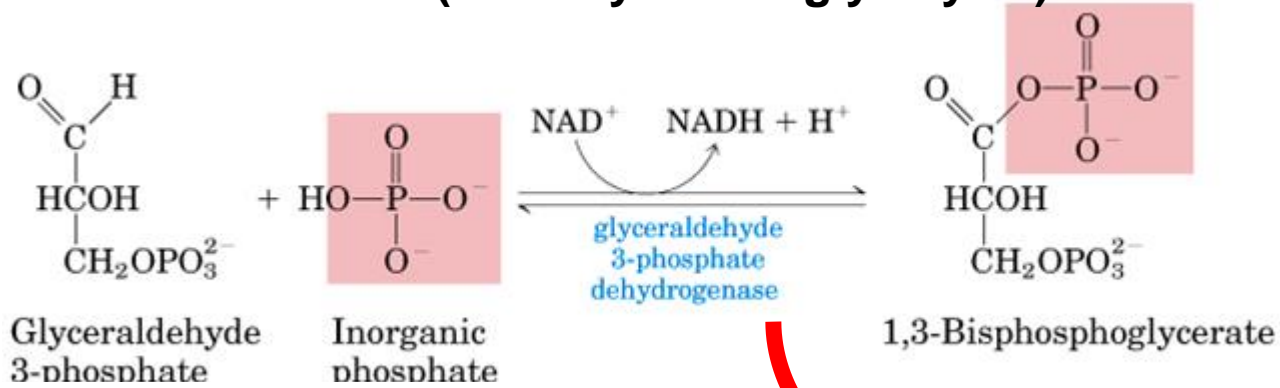
Aldehydic group is oxidized to acyl and reacts with phosphate to forms **acyl phosphate**



$$\Delta G'^{\circ} = 6.3 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

- 2 molecules of Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate are oxidized.
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Oxidation-reduction reaction (the only one in glycolysis)



OXDOREDUCTASE
NAD⁺ dependent

Monomeric Structure of Human Glyceraldehyde 3-Phosphate Dehydrogenase

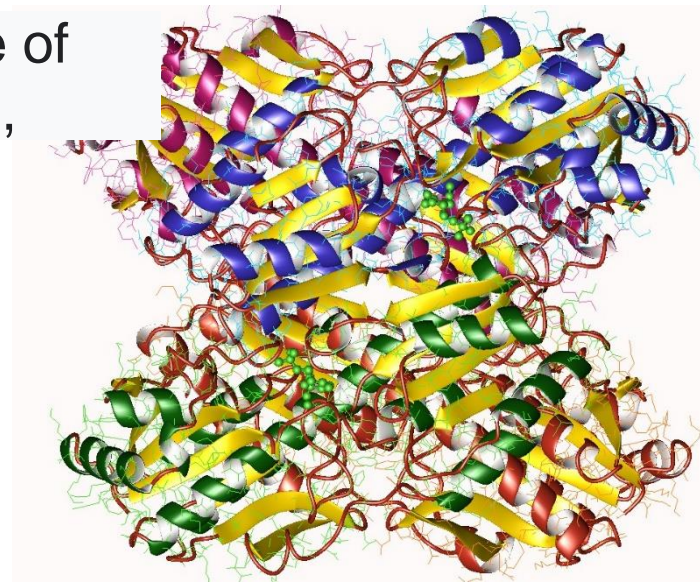
glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate \rightarrow 1,3-bisphosphoglycerate

Glyceraldehyde 3-Phosphate Dehydrogenase Is a tetramer with four identical subunits.

Each subunit has a catalytic site that binds 1 molecule of NAD +

It uses NAD + as an oxidant and requires organic phosphate

The mechanism involves a **cysteine** residue of the enzyme to which the substrate is bound,

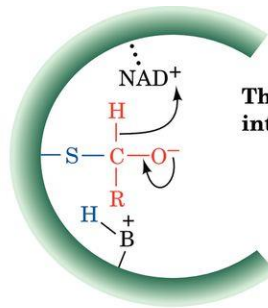


Process Diagram: GAPDH Mechanism

Step 2:

-SH group by nucleophilic attack on aldehyde and form Covalent thiohemiacetal

Active site thiol addition 2

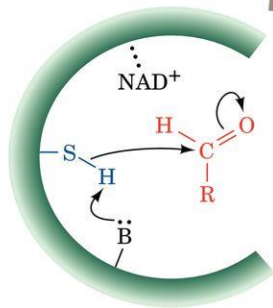


Thiohemiacetal intermediate

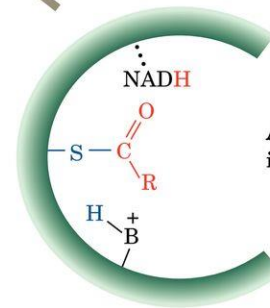
Step 3:

Thiohemiacetal is oxidized to acylthioester by transferring to hydride ion to NAD+ (storage energy)

3 Dehydrogenation (oxidation)



Enzyme-substrate complex



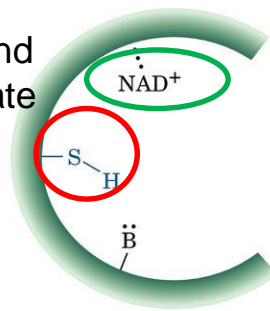
Acyl thioester intermediate

Substrate binding 1

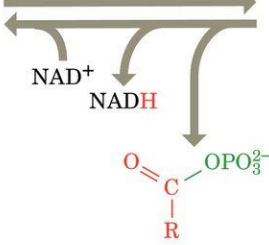
GAP

Step 1:

G3P binds the enzyme and forms an enzyme-substrate complex



Product release and NADH/NAD+ exchange 5

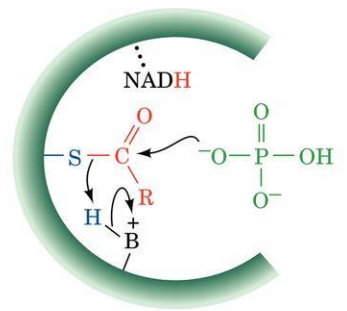


1,3-Bisphosphoglycerate (1,3-BPG)

4 Phosphate binding

Step 4:

Binding with phosphate



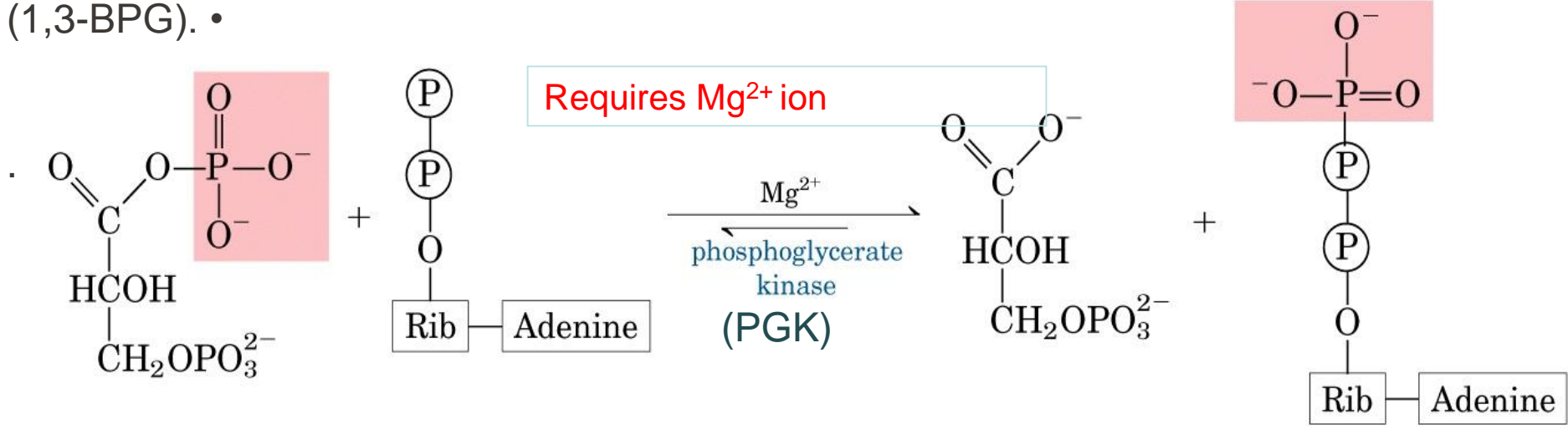
STEP 5:

Phosphate by nucleophilic attack on thioester and forms 1-3BPG

Reaction 7: Substrate-level Phosphorylation

Phosphoglycerate kinase transfers the high-energy phosphoryl group from 1,3-bisphosphoglycerate to ADP that produce ATP

Addition of phosphate to ADP to give ATP is called as substrate level phosphorylation. The phosphate donor is the substrate 1,3-bisphosphoglycerate (1,3-BPG).



1,3-Bisphosphoglycerate (1,3-BPG)

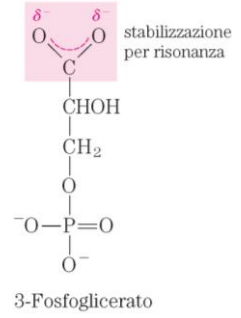
ADP

3-Phosphoglycerate (3-PG)

ATP

The product of this reaction is **2 molecules of 3-phosphoglycerate**

$\Delta G'^{\circ} = -18.5 \text{ kJ/mol}$

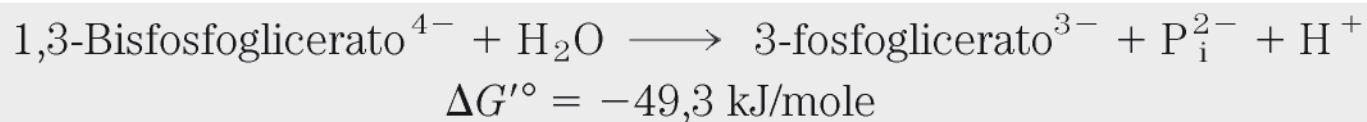
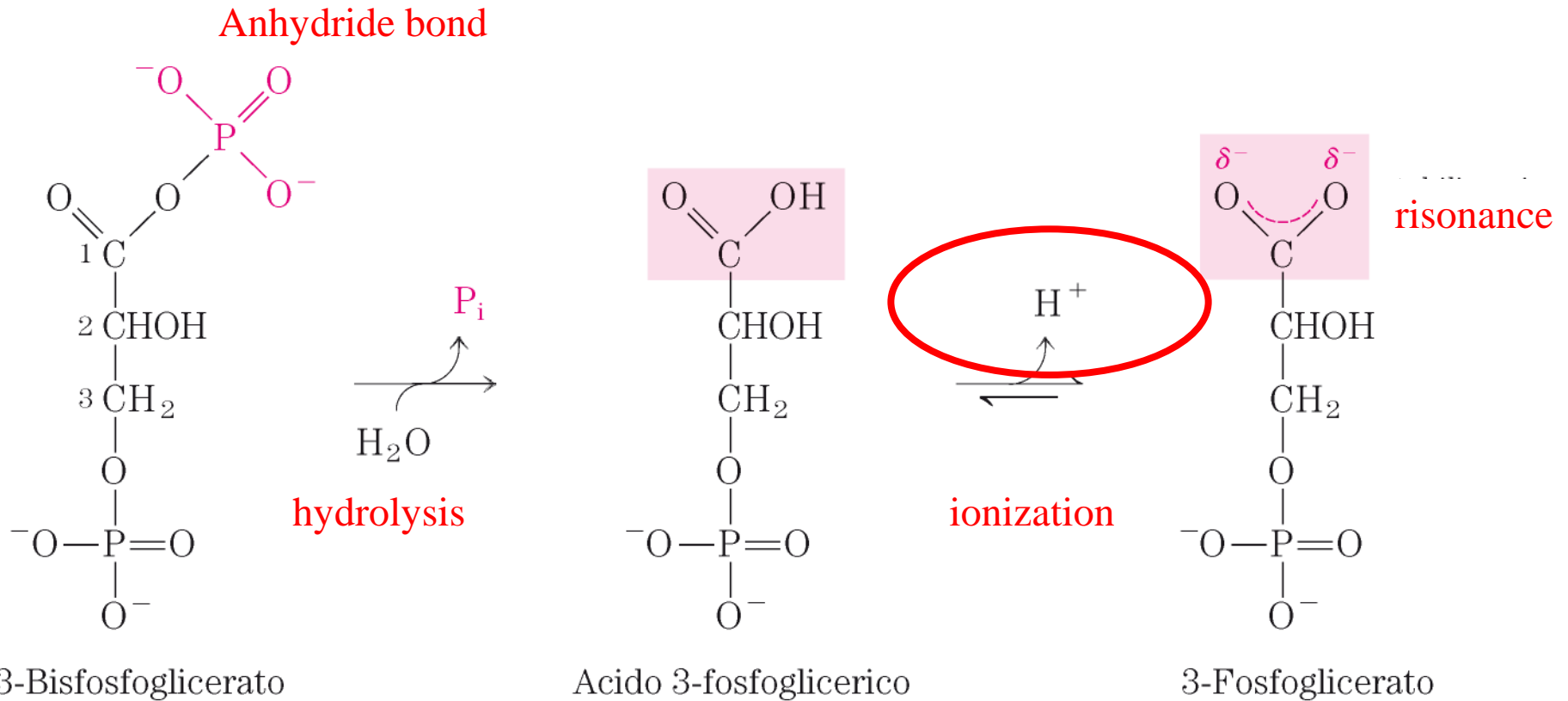


FIRST SUBSTRATE LEVEL PHOSPHORYLATION

1,3-BISPHOSPHOGLYCERATE (1,3-BPG)

1,3-bisphosphoglycerate contains an anhydride bond between the C-1 carboxyl group and a phosphoric acid.

Hydrolysis of this acyl phosphate is accompanied by a large, negative, standard free-energy change ($\Delta G = -49.3$ kJ/mol).



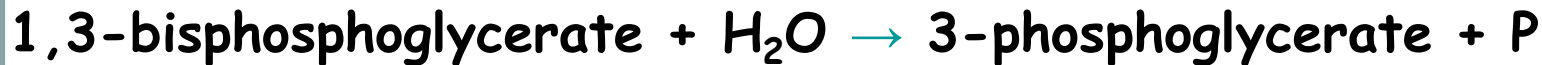
Reaction catalyzed from glyceraldehyde 3-P dehydrogenase and Phosphoglycerate kinase are coupled (step 6 e 7):



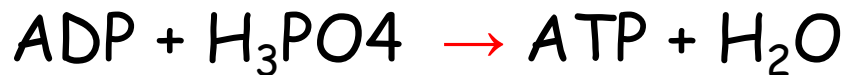
$$\Delta G^\circ = +6.3 \text{ kJ / mol}$$



$$\Delta G^\circ = -18 \text{ kJ / mol}$$



$$\Delta G^\circ = -49,3 \text{ kJ / mole}$$



$$\Delta G^\circ = +30,5 \text{ kJ / mole}$$

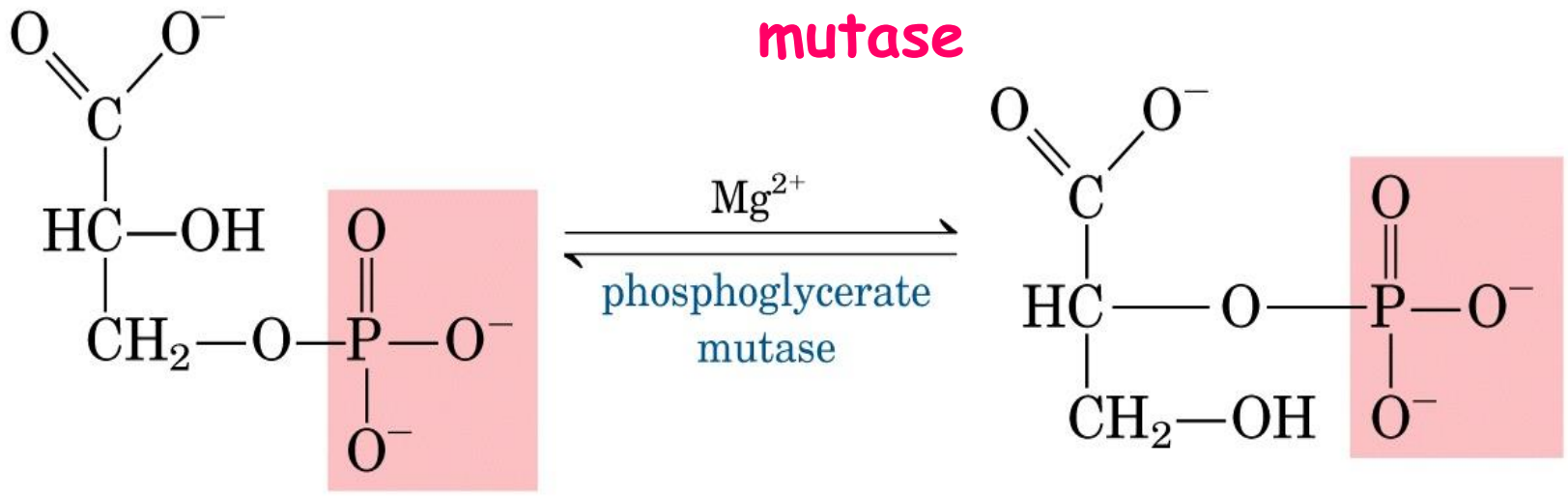
$$\Delta G^\circ = -18,8 \text{ kJ / mole}$$



$$\Delta G^\circ = -12.3 \text{ kJ / mol}$$

Reaction 8: the remaining phosphate-ester linkage is moved from **C3 to C-2** to form 2-phosphoglycerate (2-PG)

The reversible reaction is catalyzed by **phosphoglycerate mutase**



3-Phosphoglycerate

2-Phosphoglycerate

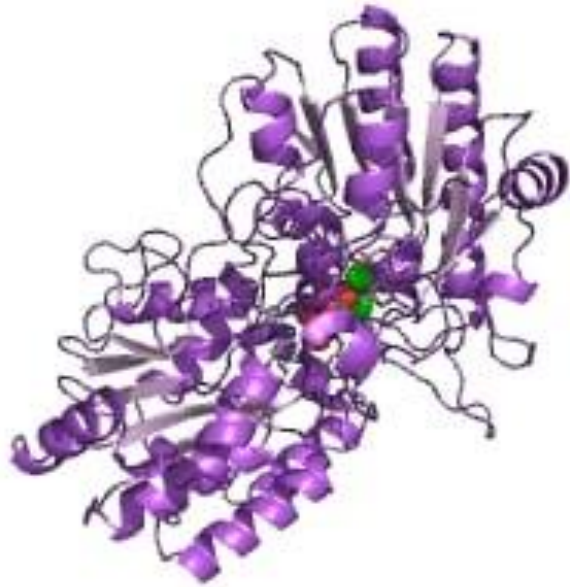
$$\Delta G'^{\circ} = 4.4 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

low free energy of hydrolysis

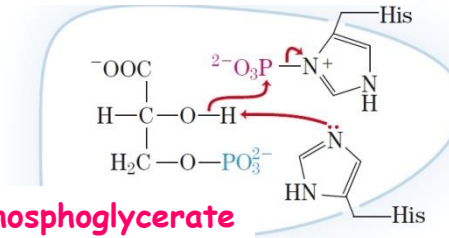
...two step of Reaction

Phosphoglycerate mutase

Enzyme contains two His in the active- site which one phosphorylated His (near to C2 and C3)

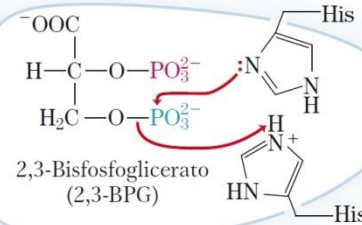


3- phosphoglycerate



1 First residue of His transfers phosphate group to C2 and forms 2,3 BPG

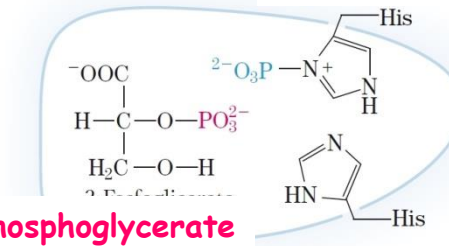
Hb



Bisphosphorylated intermediate

2 The second residue of His shifts phosphate from C3 to the first residue of His

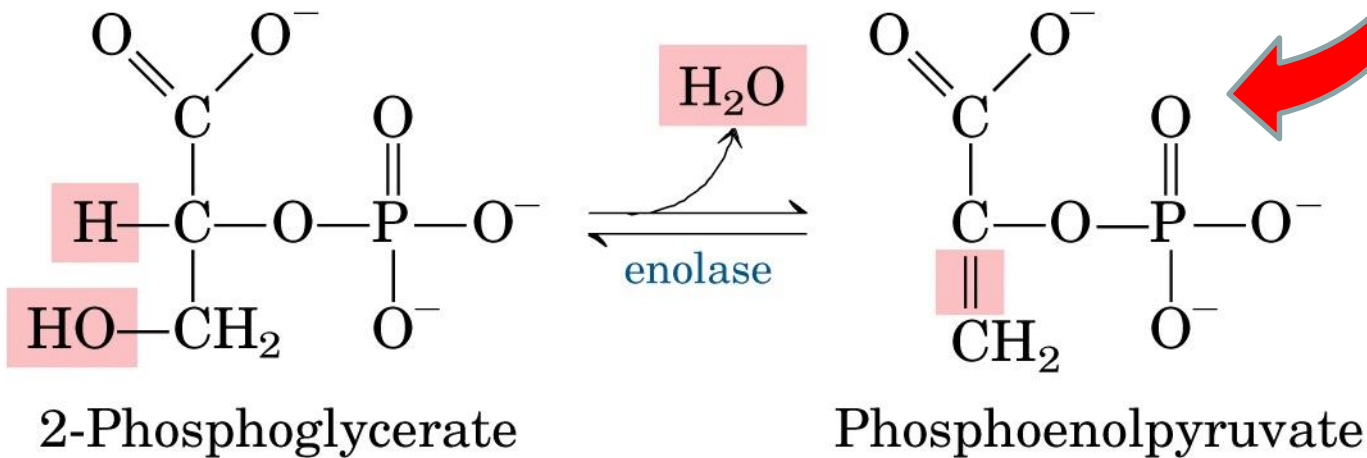
2- phosphoglycerate



Reaction 9:

DEHYDRATION OF 2-PG

The 2-phosphoglycerate is dehydrated by the action of enolase to phosphoenolpyruvate(PEP).



(PEP)

$$\Delta G'^{\circ} = 7.5 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

1. Loss of an H atom from C2 and an OH group from C3
2. H₂O is released
3. A double bond is formed between C2 and C3

• This is the second reaction in glycolysis where a **high-energy phosphate compound** is formed. •

This compound is the phosphate ester of the enol tautomer of pyruvate.

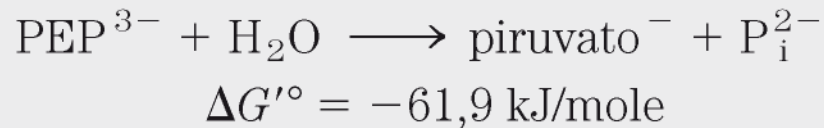
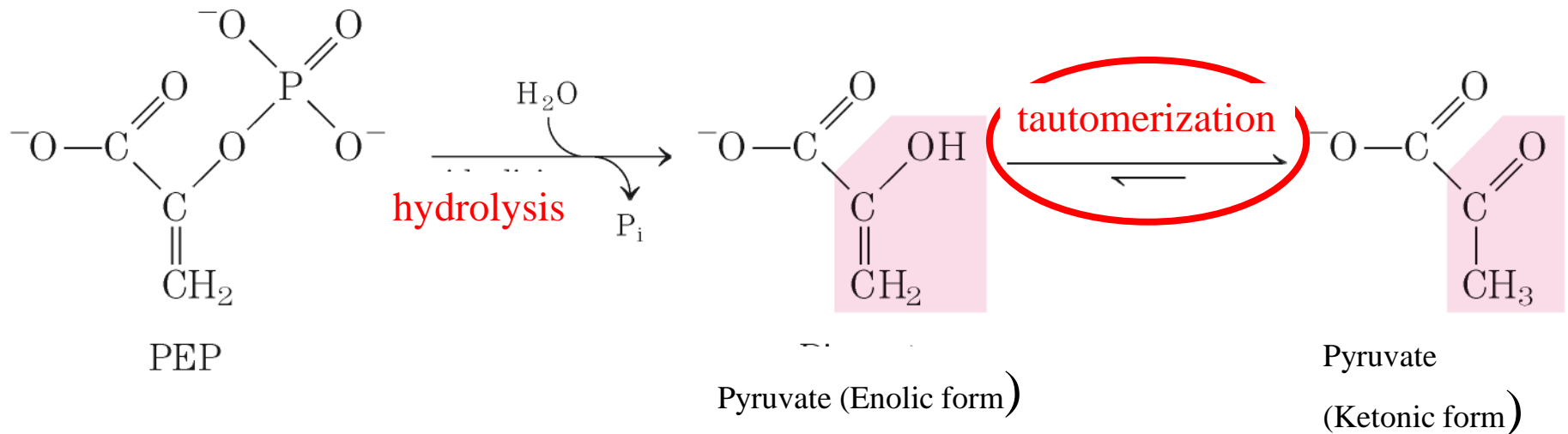
This is a **reversible reaction**.

ΔG° (High)

Phosphorylated Compounds have Large Free Energies of Hydrolysis

Phosphoenolpyruvate (PEP) contains a **phosphate ester bond** that undergoes hydrolysis to yield the enol form of pyruvate, and this direct product can tautomerize to the **more stable keto form**. Because the reactant (PEP) has only one form (enol) and the product (pyruvate) has two possible forms, the product is stabilized respect to the reactant.

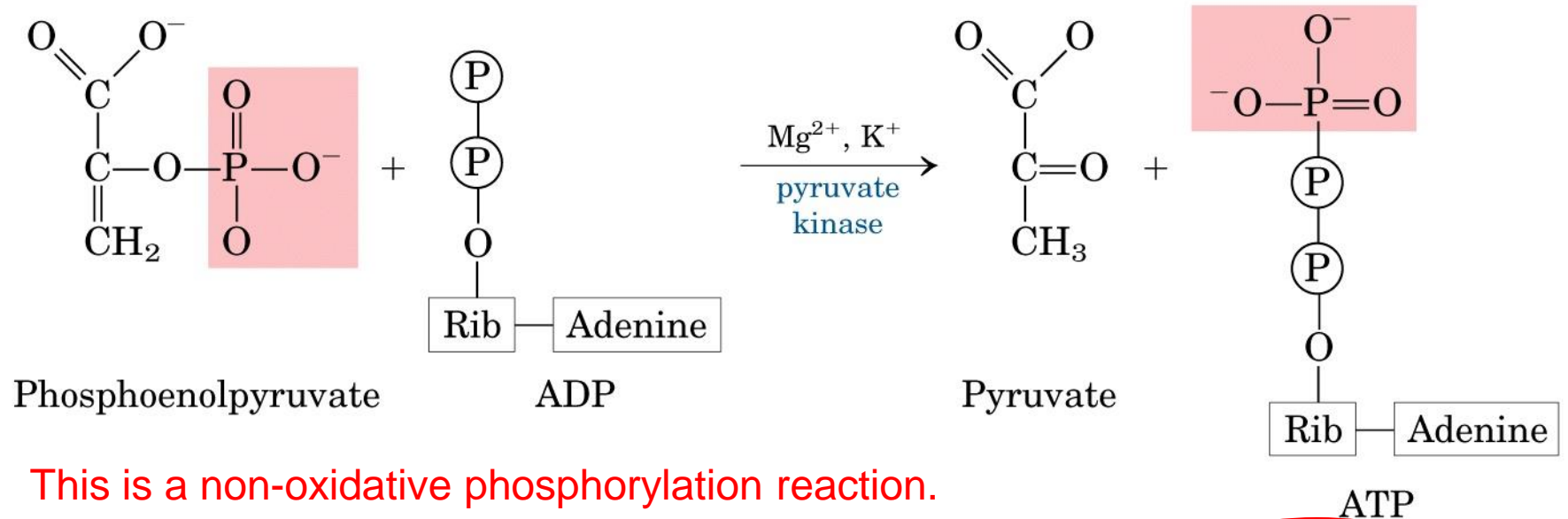
This is the greatest contributing factor to the high standard free energy of hydrolysis of phosphoenolpyruvate: $\Delta G = -61.9 \text{ kJ/mol}$



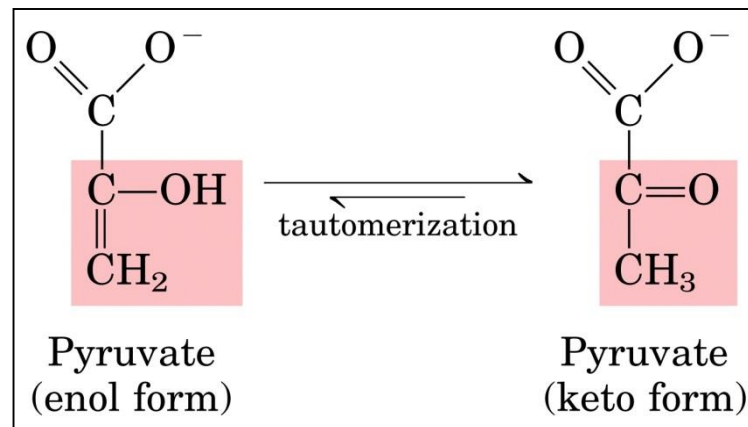
Reaction 10:

TRANSFER OF PHOSPHATE FROM PEP to ADP

It is a transfer of high energy phosphoryl group from PEP to ADP (to form ATP)



Second phosphorylation at substrate level

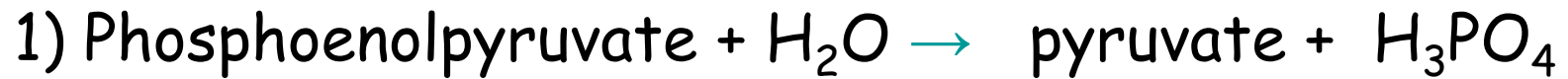


$\Delta G'^{\circ} = -31.4 \text{ kJ/mol}$
exergonic

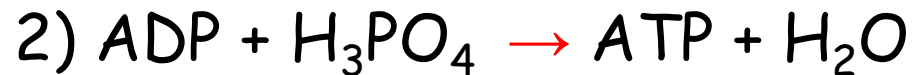
PYRUVATE KINASE



$$\Delta G^{\circ} = -31,4 \text{ kJ / mole}$$

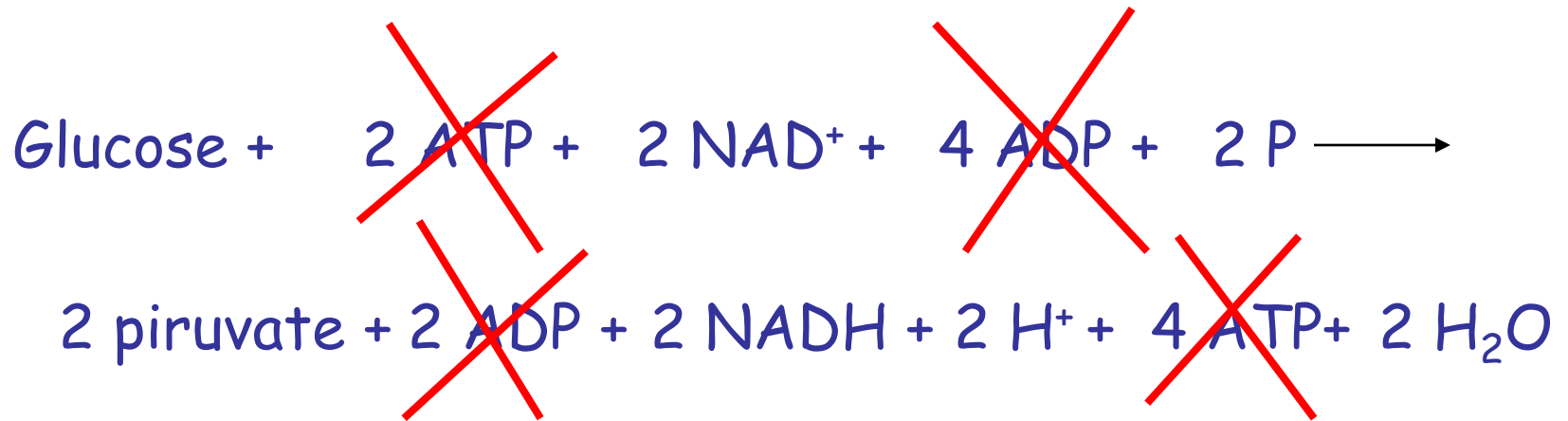


$$\Delta G^{\circ} = -61,9 \text{ kJ / mole}$$

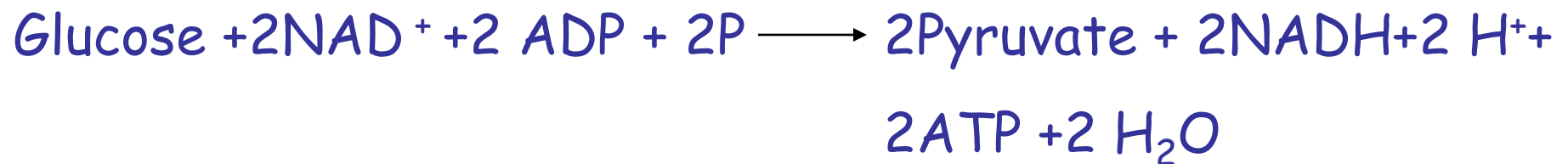


$$\Delta G^{\circ} = +30,5 \text{ kJ / mole}$$

Balance of glycolysis



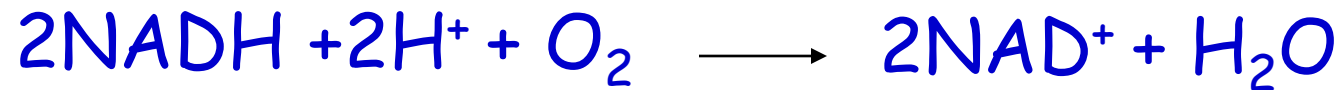
The total reactions of glycolysis can be summarized as:



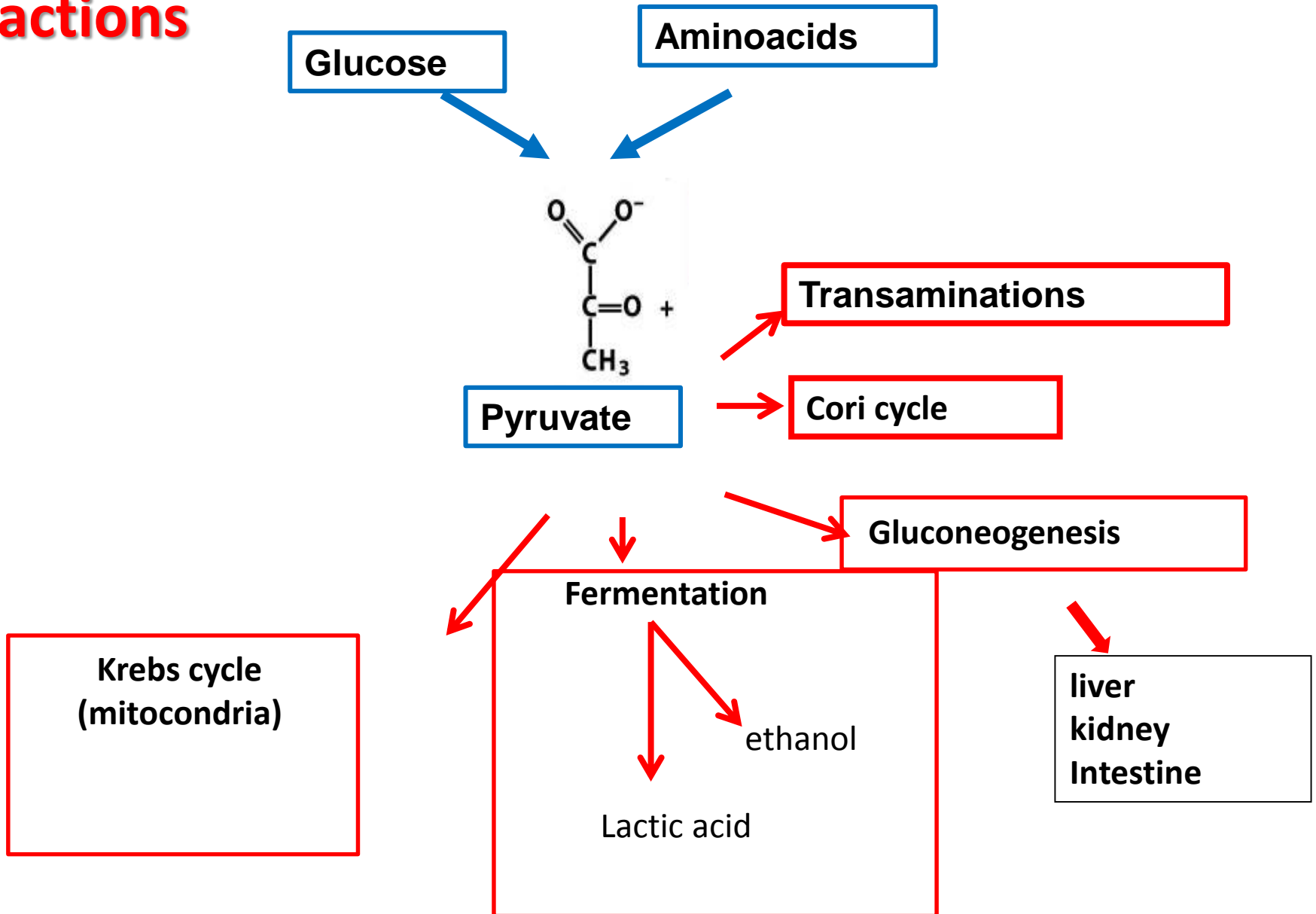
-85kJ/mole

Two molecules of **NADH** formed in cytosol during glycolis are oxydated in aerobic conditions by transfer their electrons to **respiratory chain** localize to mitochondria

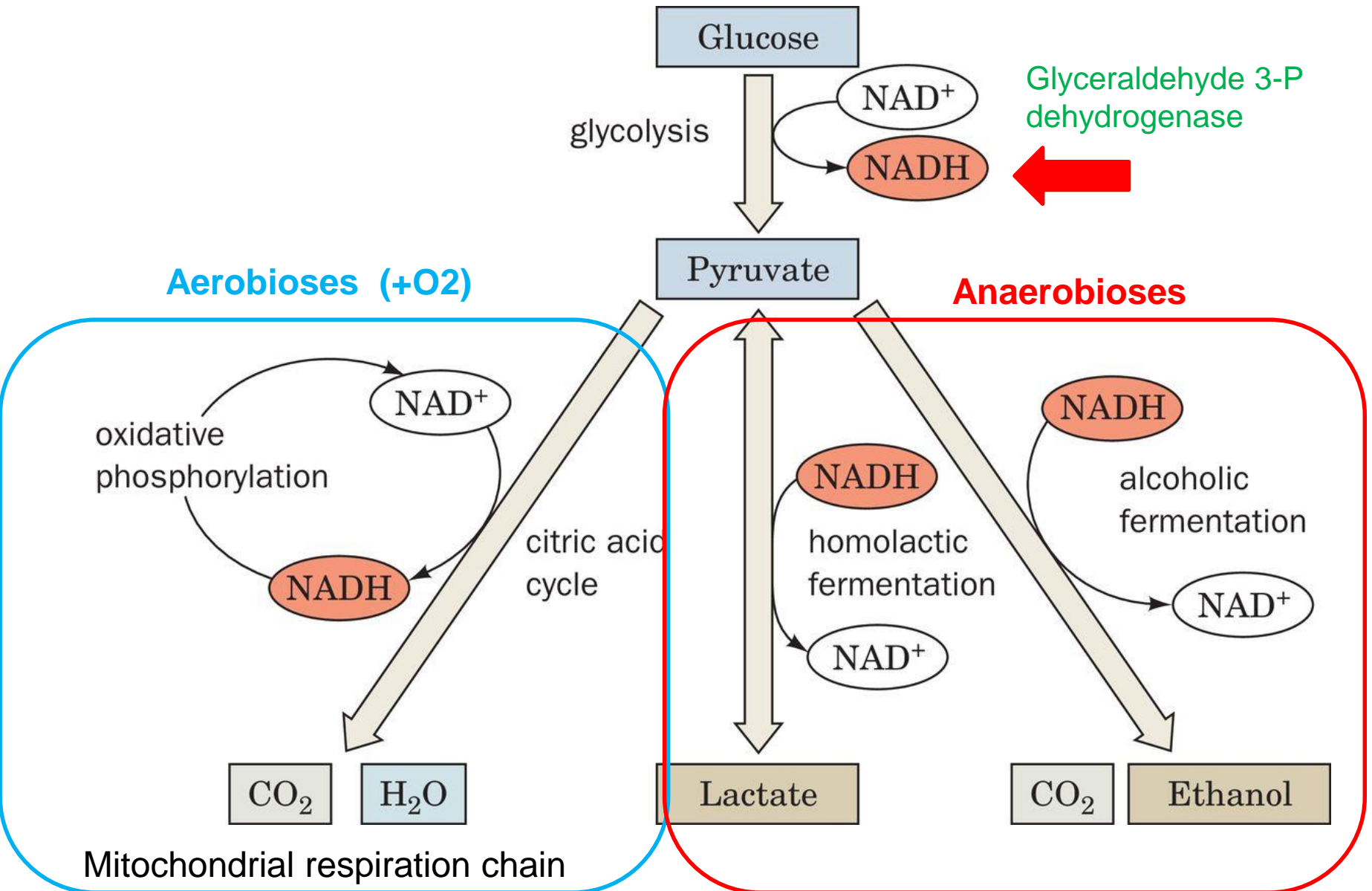
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Last electrons is oxygen:



Pyruvate: intermediate of several metabolic reactions



Metabolic Fate of Pyruvate

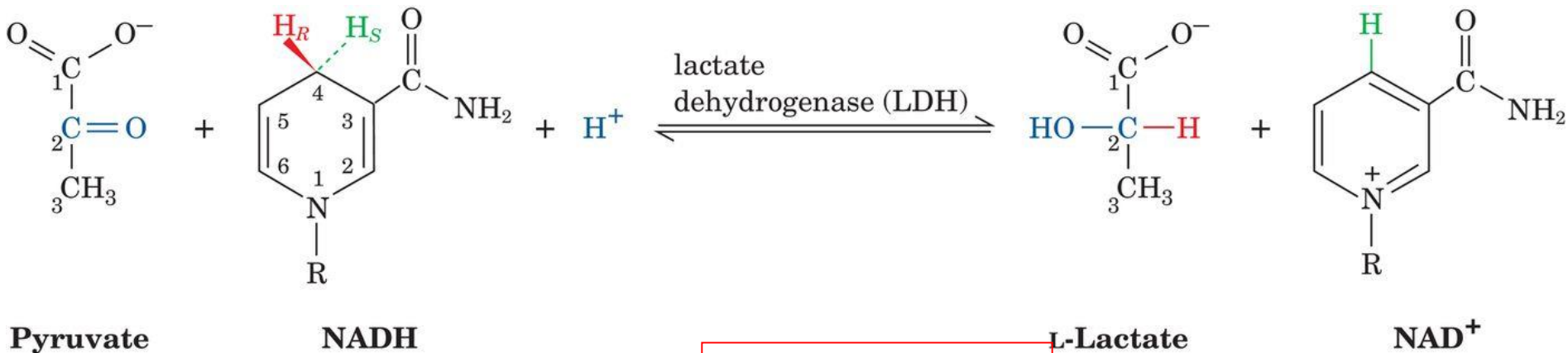


1. Homolactic Fermentation

In muscle, particularly during vigorous activity when the demand for ATP is high and **oxygen has been depleted** (in cells with few mitochondria like ERYTHROCYTES), ATP is obtained by anaerobic glycolysis.

LACTATE DEHYDROGENASE catalyzes the oxidation of NADH by pyruvate to yield NAD⁺ and lactate

This reaction is often classified as Reaction 11 of glycolysis

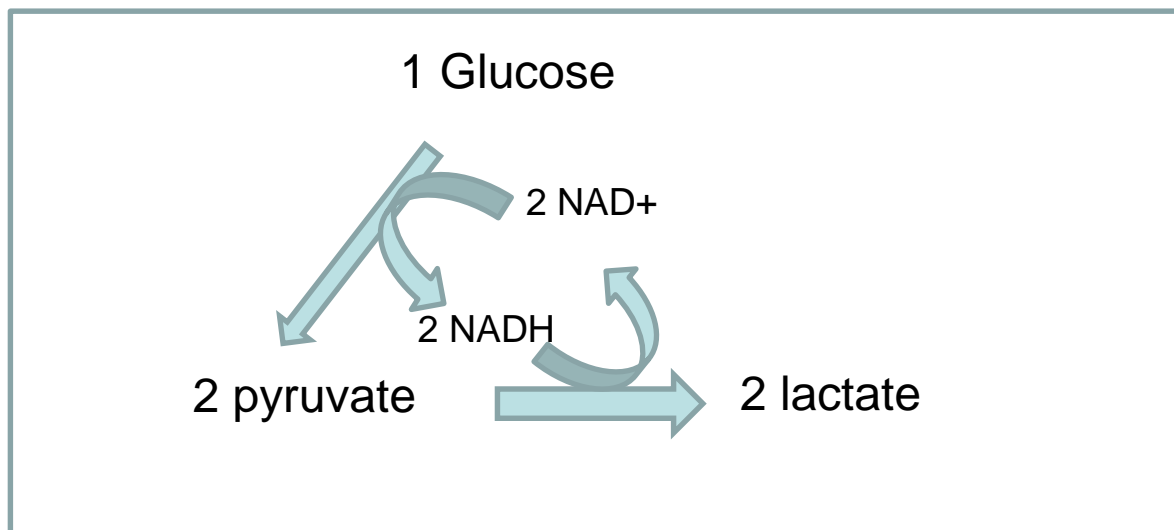
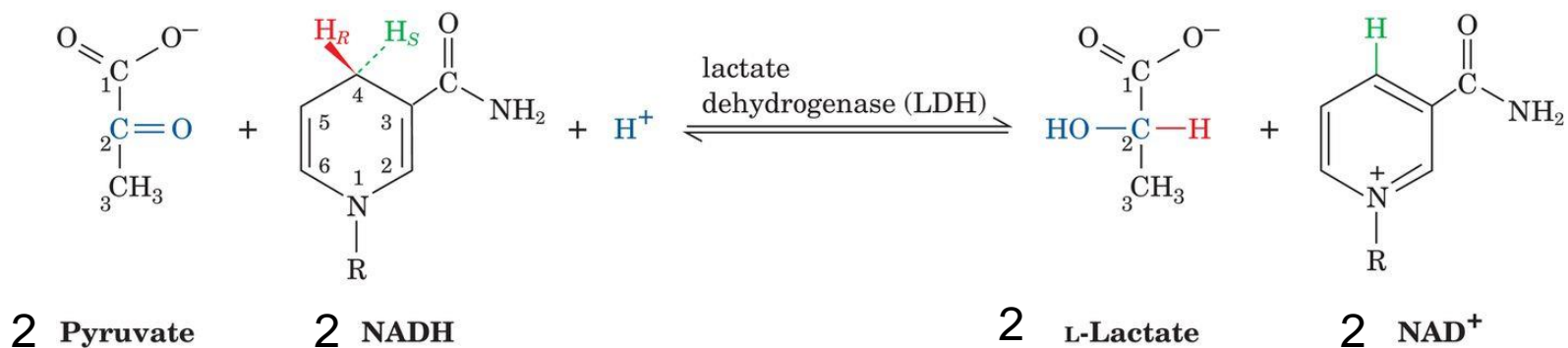


Hydrogen at C4 of NADH is transferred to the pyruvate at C2 to form L-Lactate

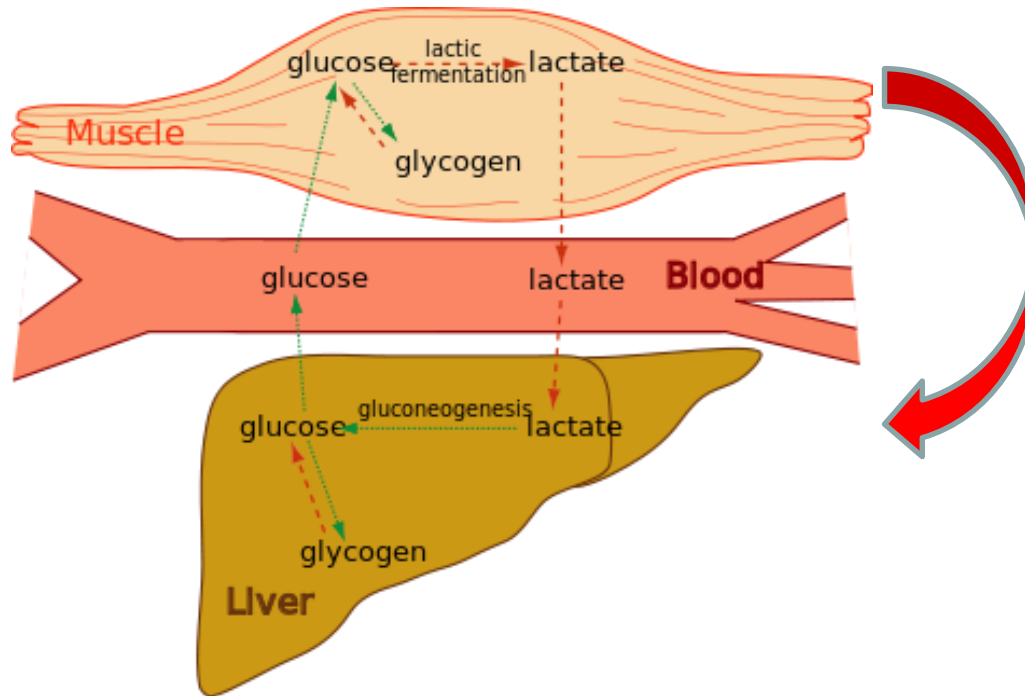
NAD⁺ is regenerated by GAPDH (glyceraldehyde-3P-dehydrogenase)

Lactate may be transferred out of the cell, brought to the liver and converted to glucose

Glycolysis produces **two molecules of glyceraldehyde 3-P** (from 1 molecule of glucose), **two molecules of pyruvate** and **two molecules of NADH**

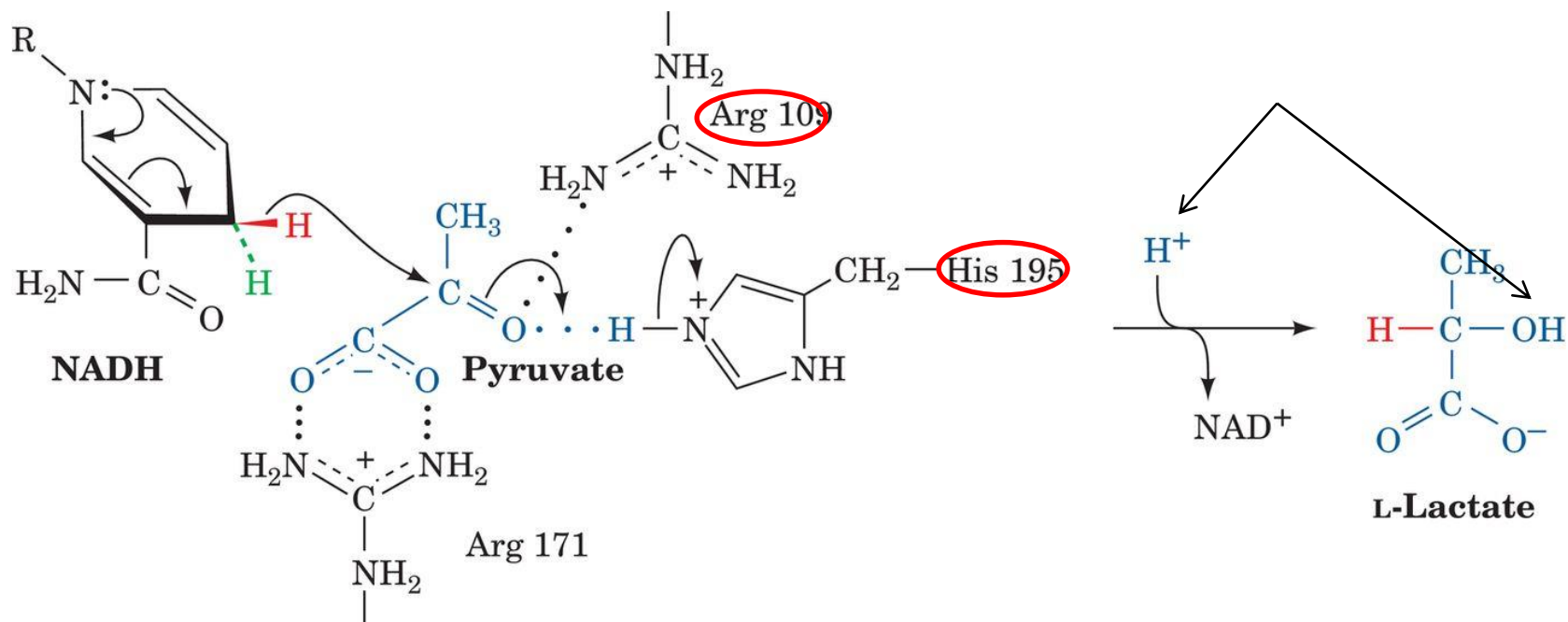


Cori Circle



Lactate formed (skeletal muscle) can be recycled. Carried in the **blood** to the **liver** and converted to glucose during the recovery from strenuous muscle

REACTION Mechanism OF LDH



The reaction involves direct hydride transfer from **NADH** to pyruvate. Imidazolium group of **His 195** donates a proton to the pyruvate carbonyl oxygen atom.

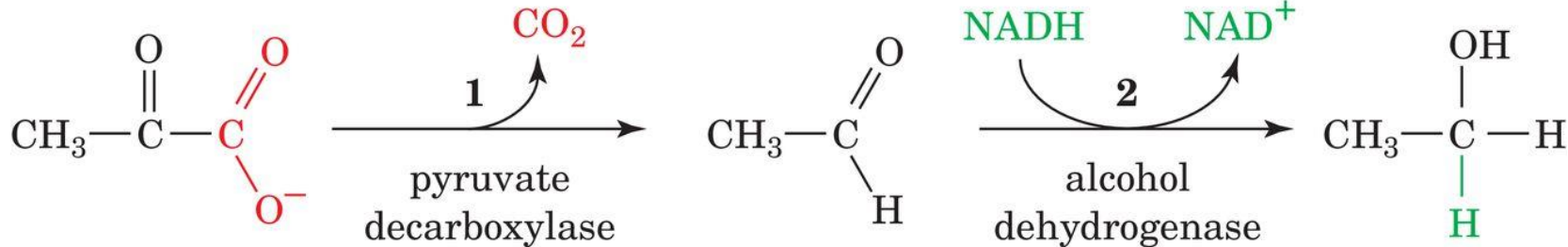
The latter process is facilitated by the positive charge on the nearby side chain of **Arg 109**.

2 Alcoholic Fermentation

Yeast produces ethanol and CO₂ via two consecutive reactions

Intestinal bacteria (in the absence of oxygen) can metabolize pyruvate by alcoholic fermentation

Used by glyceraldehyde 3-P dehydrogenase



Pyruvate

1
pyruvate
decarboxylase

Acetaldehyde

NADH NAD⁺
2
alcohol
dehydrogenase

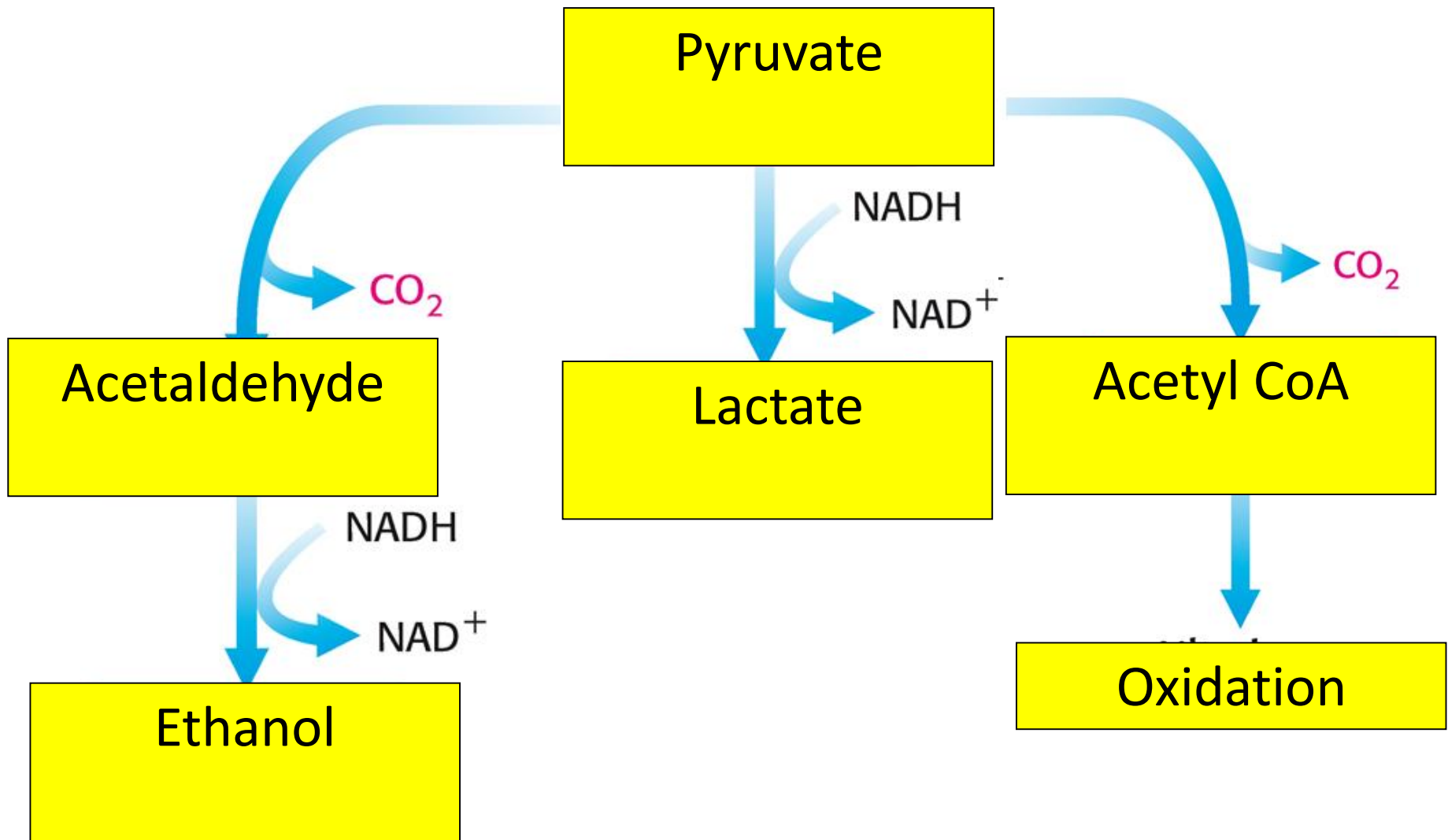
Ethanol

First reaction
Decarboxylation of pyruvate to form acetaldehyde and CO₂

PDC
(enzyme not present in animals)

Second reaction
Acetaldehyde is reduced to ethanol by NADH in a reaction catalyzed by alcohol dehydrogenase (ADH)

Coenzyme: thiamine pyrophosphates (TPP) active (thiazolium ring)



Glucose \rightarrow 2 lactate + 2H⁺

$\Delta G^\circ = -196$ kJ/mol

Glucose \rightarrow 2 CO₂ + 2 ethanol

$\Delta G^\circ = -235$ kJ/mol

1 glucose molecule



2 ATP molecules

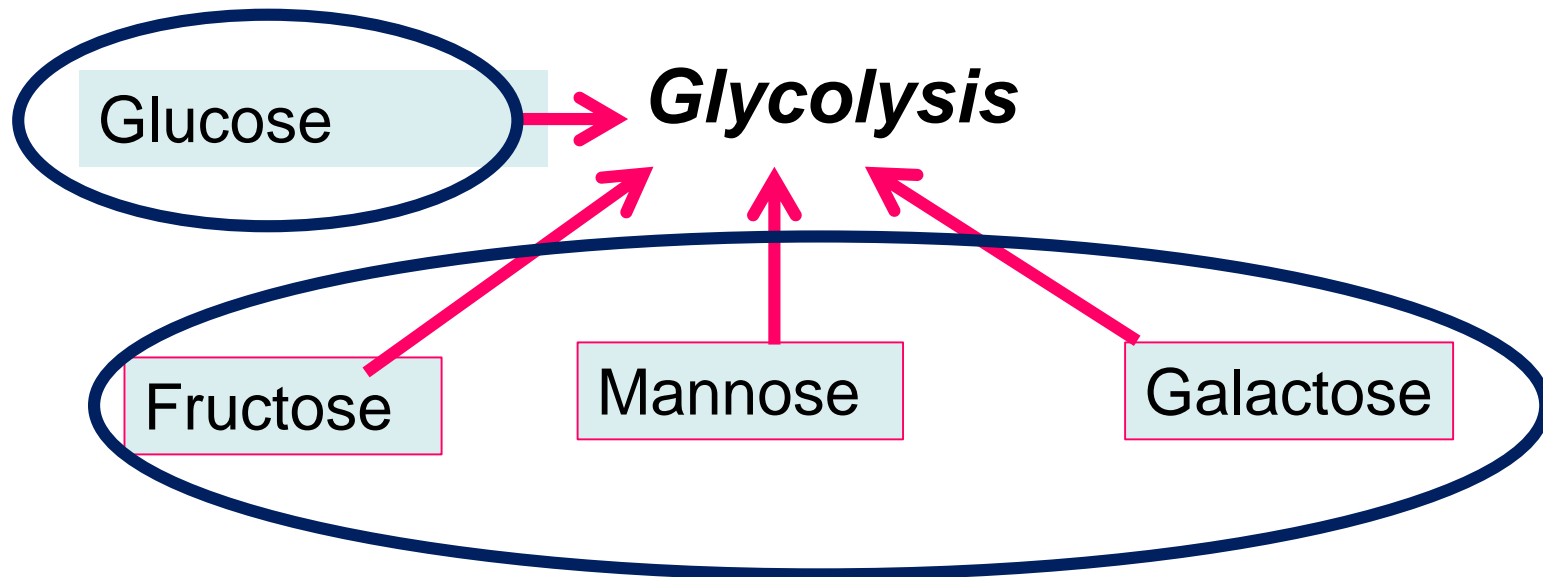
Fermentation



32 ATP molecules

Oxidative phosphorylation

Other monosaccharides in the glycolytic pathway (Hexoses)

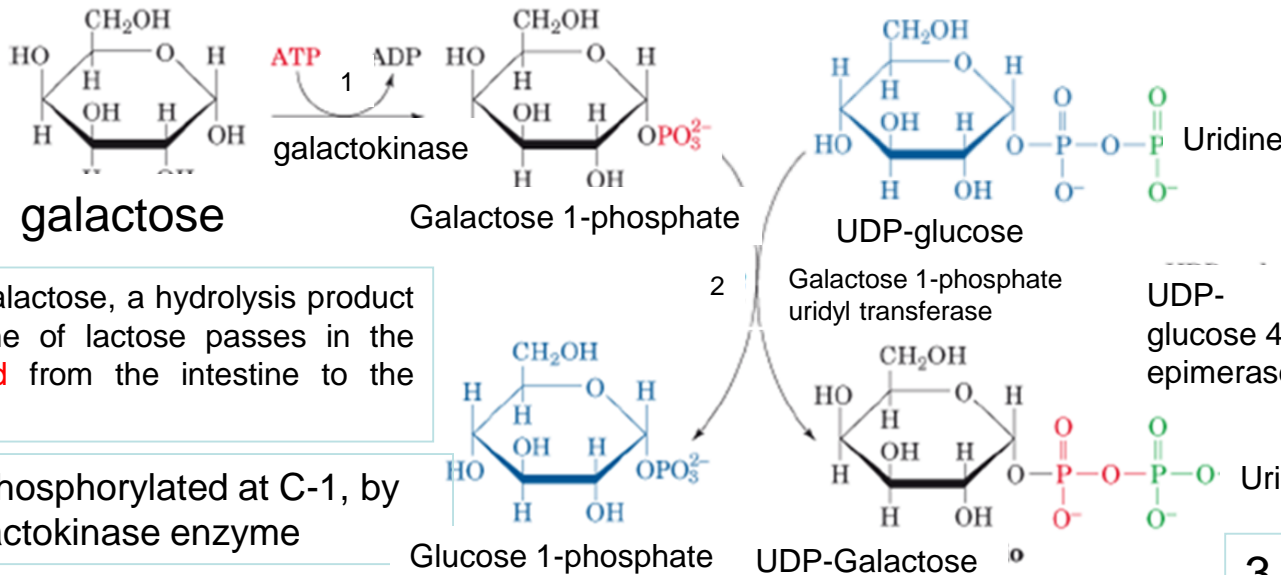


Hexoses other than glucose can undergo glycolysis after conversion to a phosphorylated derivative.

Galactose



Liver



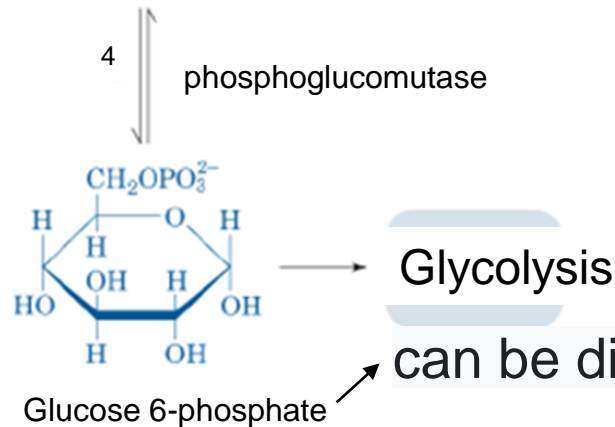
2. Uridyl transferase transfers UMP from UDP-glucose to form UDP-galactose and glucose 1-phosphate

D-Galactose, a hydrolysis product of lactose passes in the blood from the intestine to the liver,

1. phosphorylated at C-1, by galactokinase enzyme

3. UDP-galactose is converted to UDP-glucose by UDP-glucose 4 epimerase

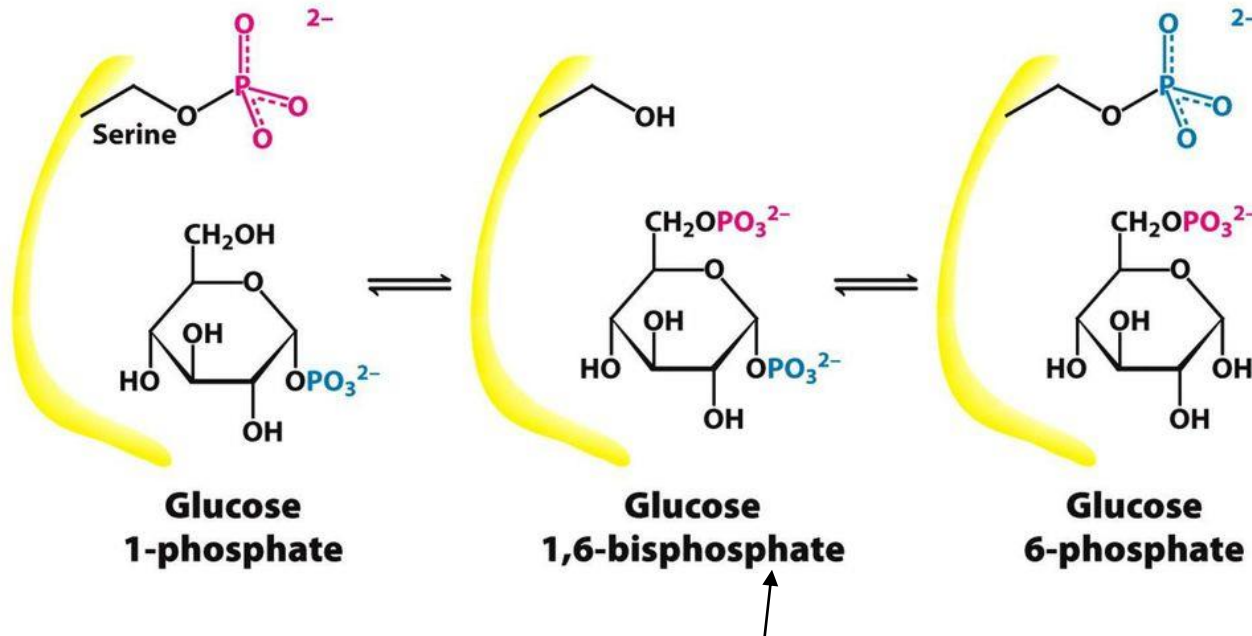
4. Glucose 1-phosphate is converted into glucose 6-phosphate by phosphoglucomutase



Galactokinase is Mg²⁺ dependent and require ATP

Phosphoglucomutase

The mechanism involves a phosphorylated serine.

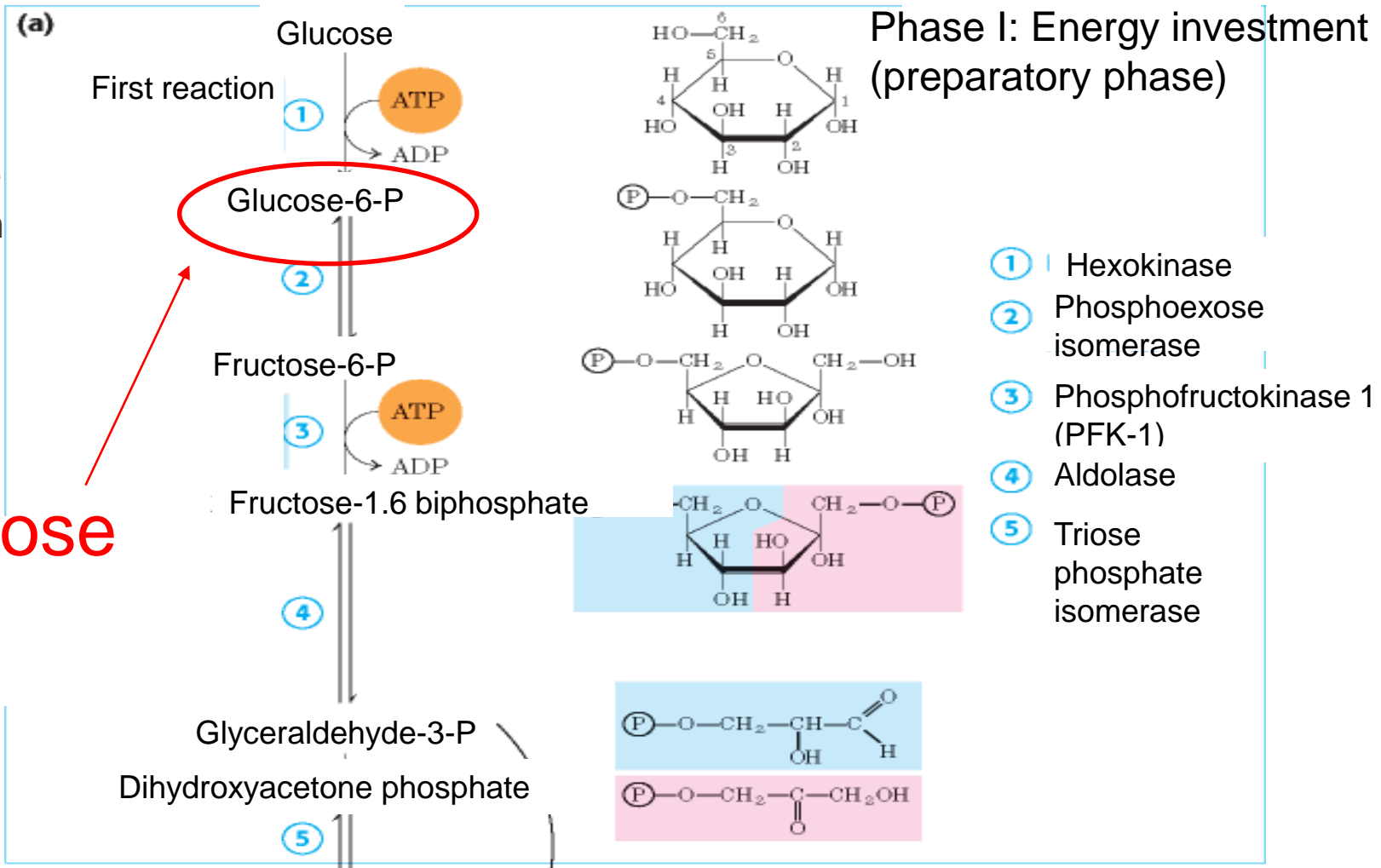


A bisphosphorylated intermediate is formed and is converted to glucose 6 phosphate and serine is rephosphorylated

“Suicide inhibitors”, such as diisopropylfluorophosphate (DFP) irreversibly inhibit the enzyme, through the acylation of the serine essential for catalysis.

First phase requires an investment of 2 ATP molecules

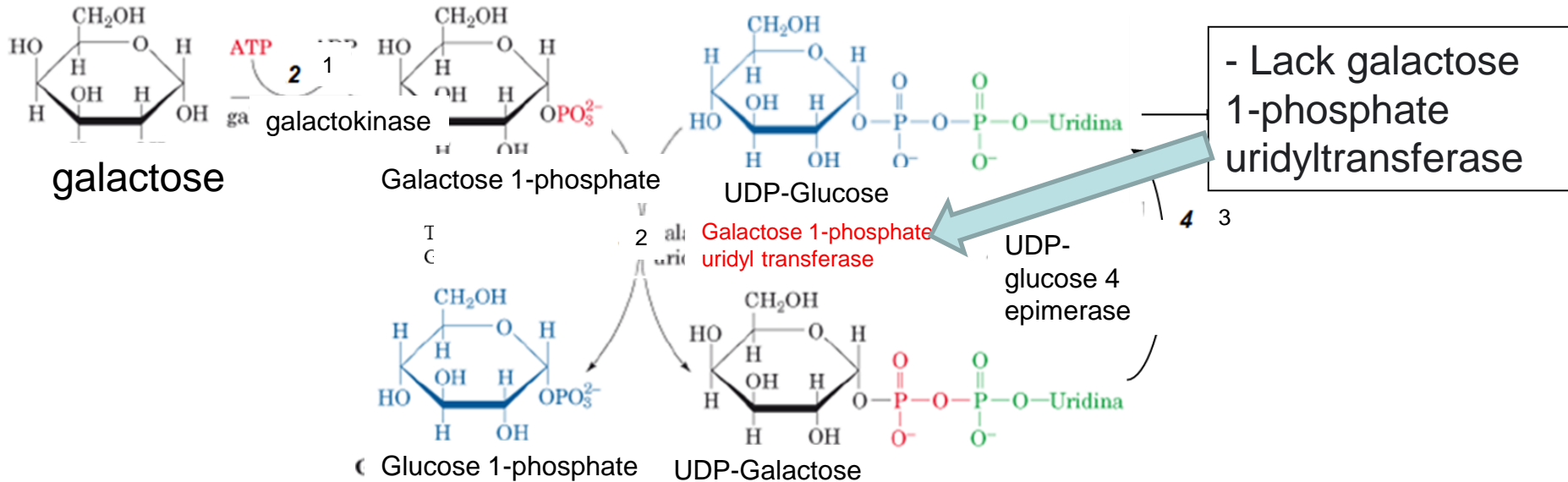
Galactose



Galactosemia

Liver

Galactosemia is a rare genetic metabolic disorders (autosomal recessive)



- Galactose 1-phosphate accumulates in the liver
- The first symptom is the presence of jaundice.

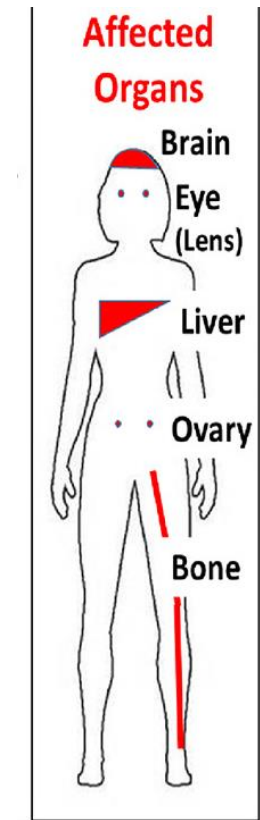
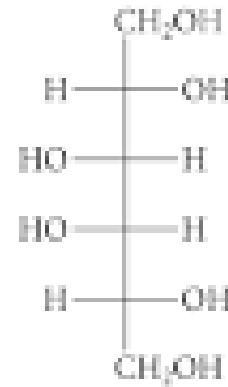
Galactosemia

-Other central nervous system effects are also observed

(growth retardation and mental delay)

- The increase in the blood concentration of galactose causes an **increase in the glucide in the lens**, where it is reduced to galactitol

- Galactitol causes **cataracts in the lens**



A diet low in galactose and lactose is important to mitigate the most serious effects

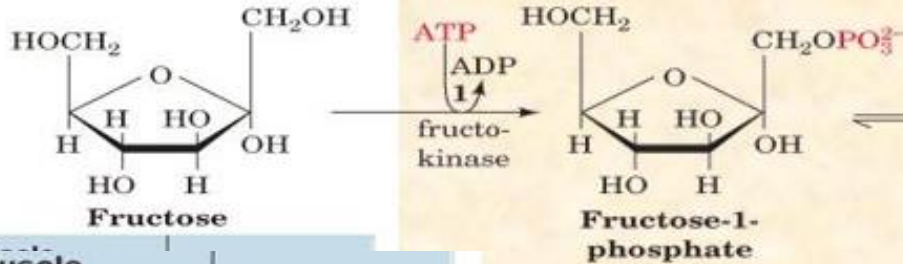
- It is possible to detect galactose-1-phosphate uridylyltransferase in the red blood cells of the umbilical cord at birth

Fructose

D-Fructose, present in free form in many fruits.

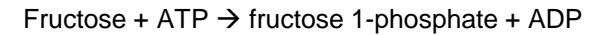
Formed by hydrolysis of sucrose in the small intestine of vertebrates

Phosphorylated by hexokinase



LIVER

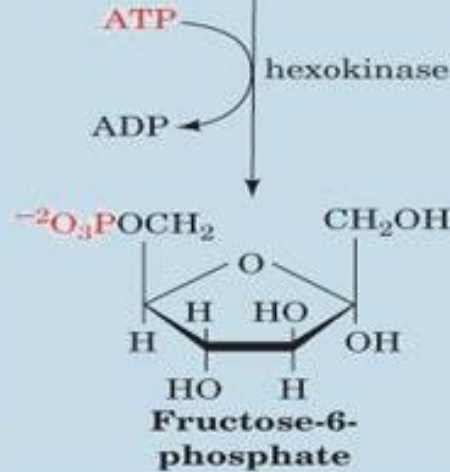
1. Fructokinase catalyzes the phosphorylation in C-1



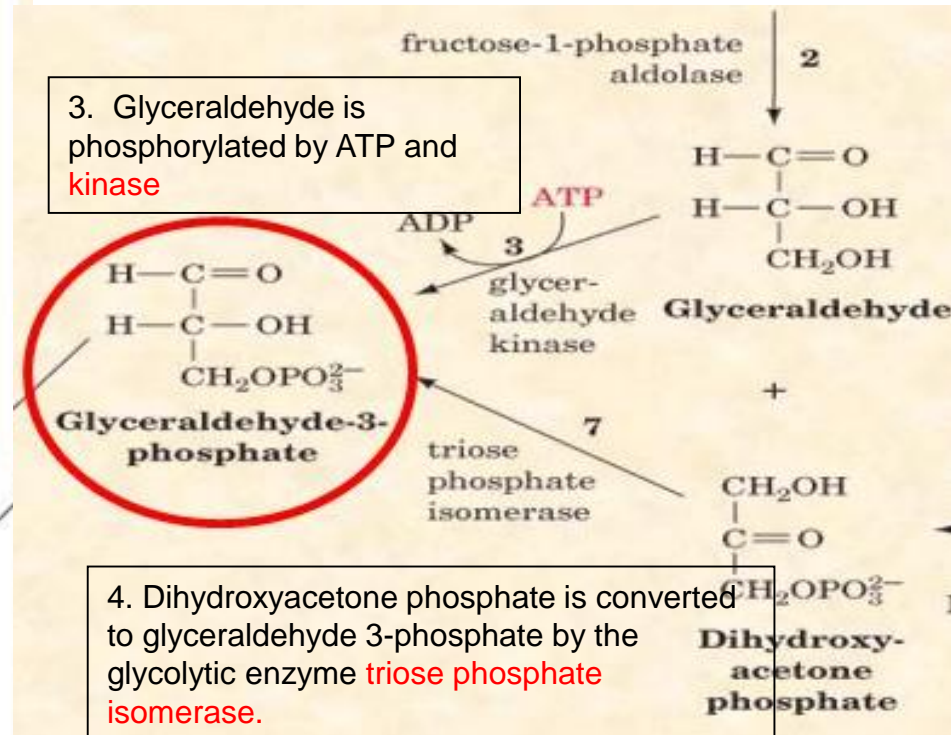
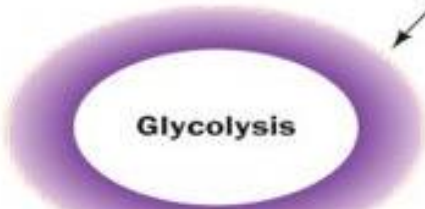
2. The fructose 1-phosphate is cleaved by fructose 1-phosphate aldolase:

Kidney and

Muscle



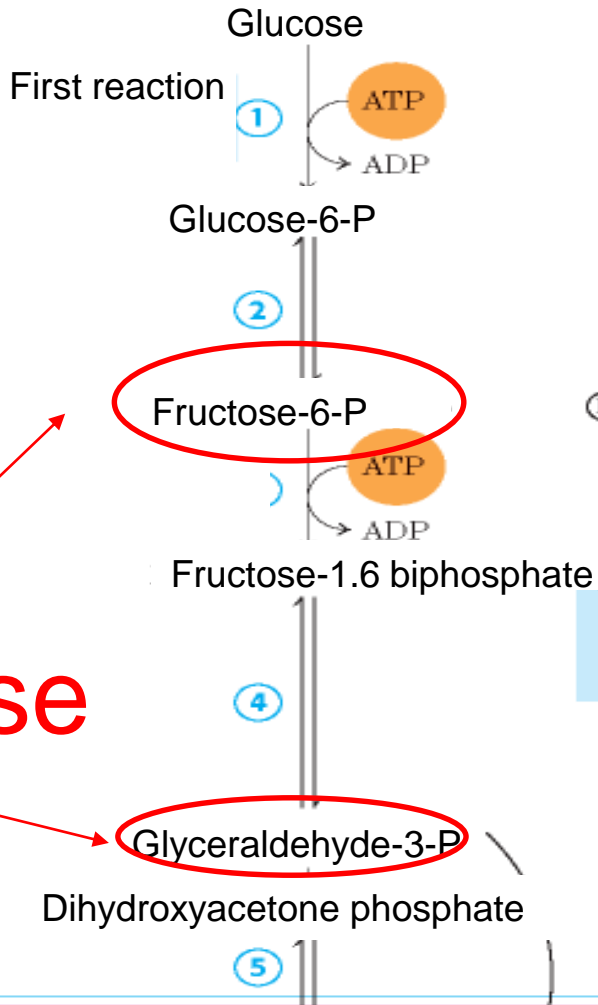
can be directed towards glycolysis



3. Glyceraldehyde is phosphorylated by ATP and kinase

4. Dihydroxyacetone phosphate is converted to glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate by the glycolytic enzyme triose phosphate isomerase.

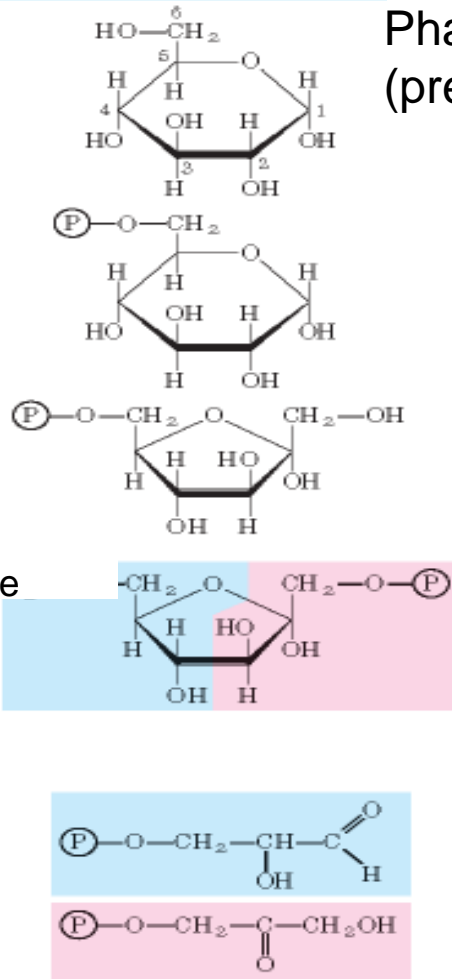
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First phase requires an investment of 2 ATP molecules

Fructose

Phase I: Energy investment (preparatory phase)

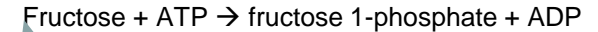


- ① Hexokinase
- ② Phosphoexose isomerase
- ③ Phosphofruktokinase 1 (PFK-1)
- ④ Aldolase
- ⑤ Triose phosphate isomerase

Fructose intolerance

Hereditary Fructose Intolerance (HFI),

Fructose intolerance is due to the **(autosomal recessive)** aldolase deficiency



The disease is caused by a mutation in a gene called AldoB

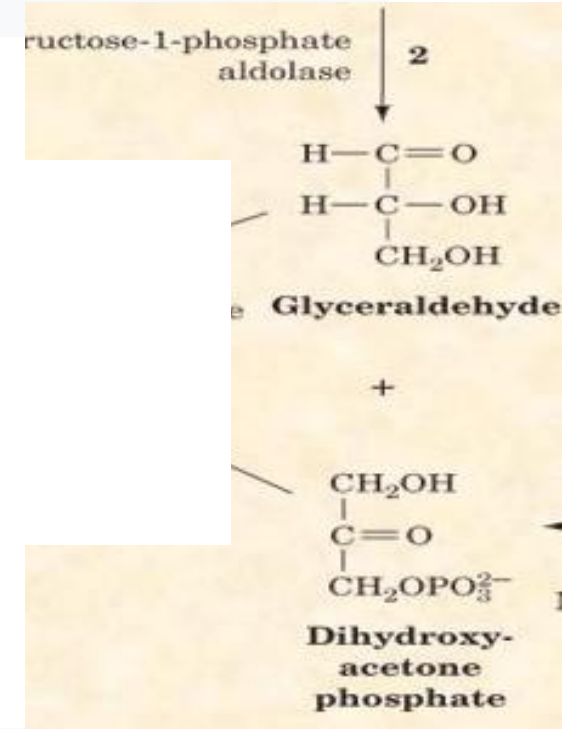
Fructose 1-phosphate accumulates until the phosphate stores in the **liver** are depleted.

The concentration of ATP decreases and causes **liver damage**

Furthermore, the increase in the concentration of **fructose 1-phosphate** inhibits:

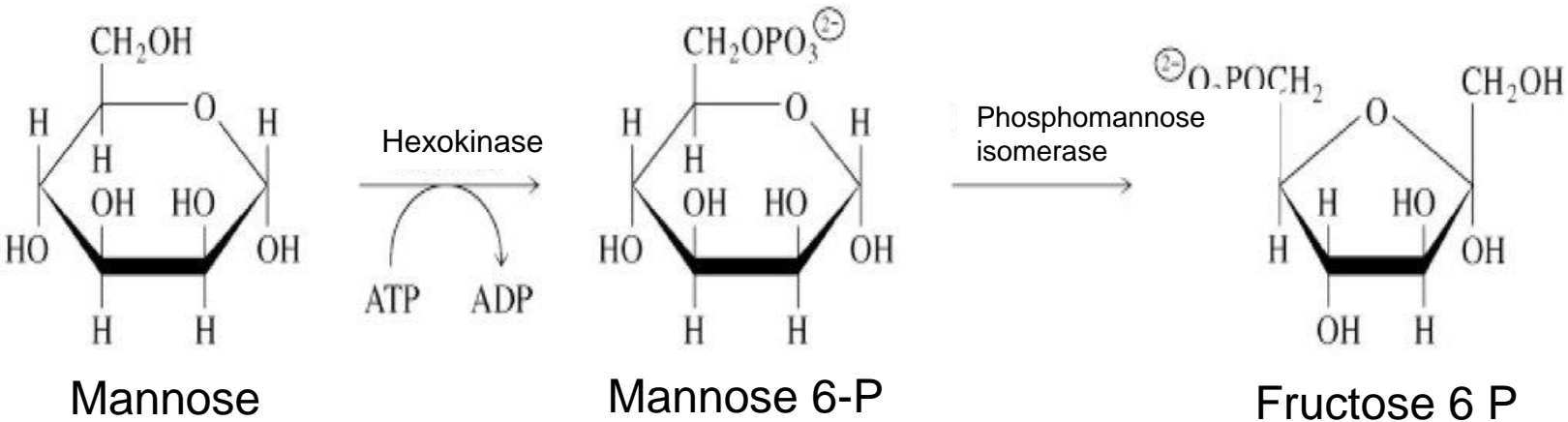
glycogen phosphorylase
(an enzyme necessary for the breakdown of glycogen to glucose)

fructose 6-phosphatase (an enzyme necessary in gluconeogenesis (glucose synthesis),



Mannose

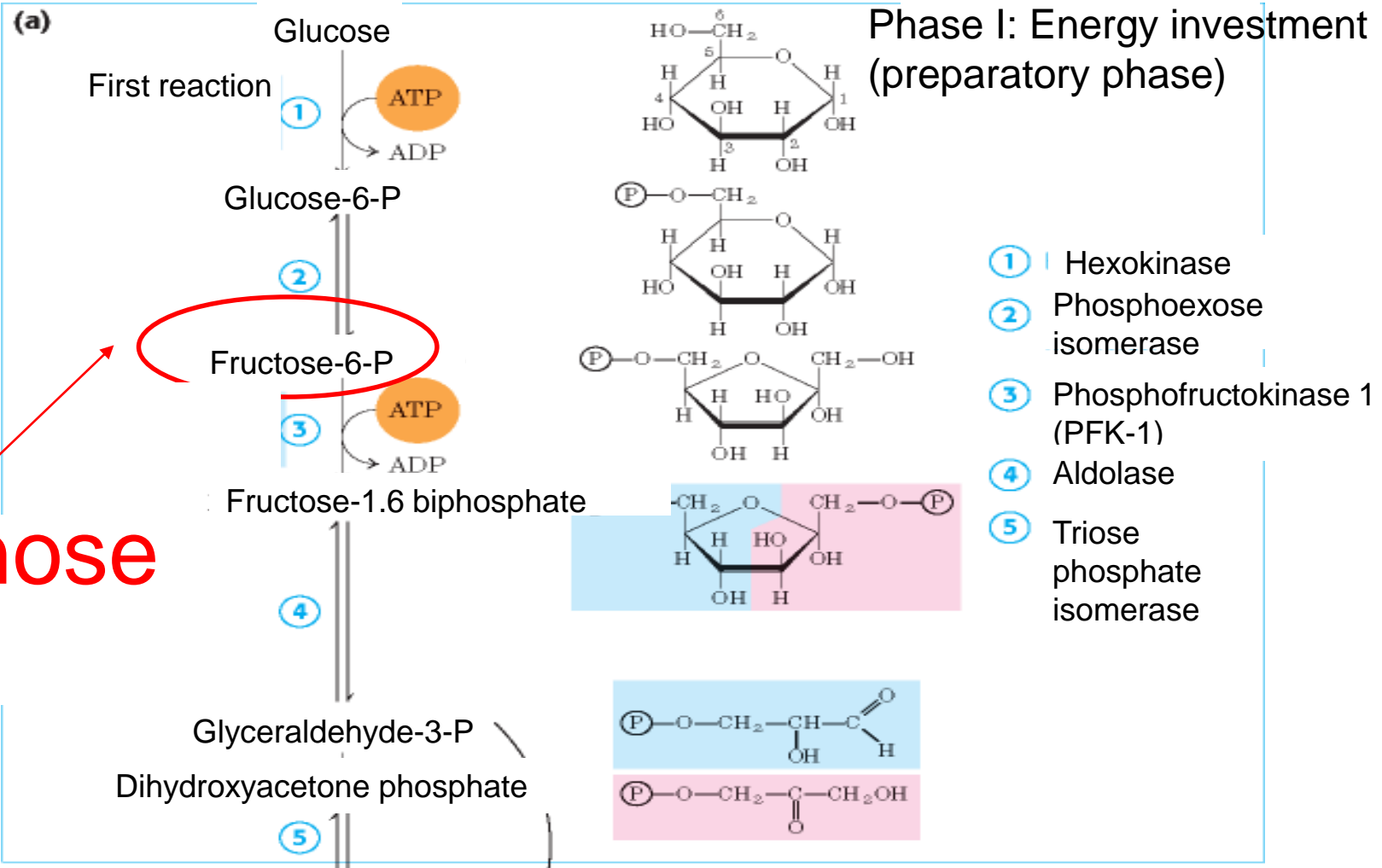
D-Mannose can be phosphorylated at C-6 by hexokinase:

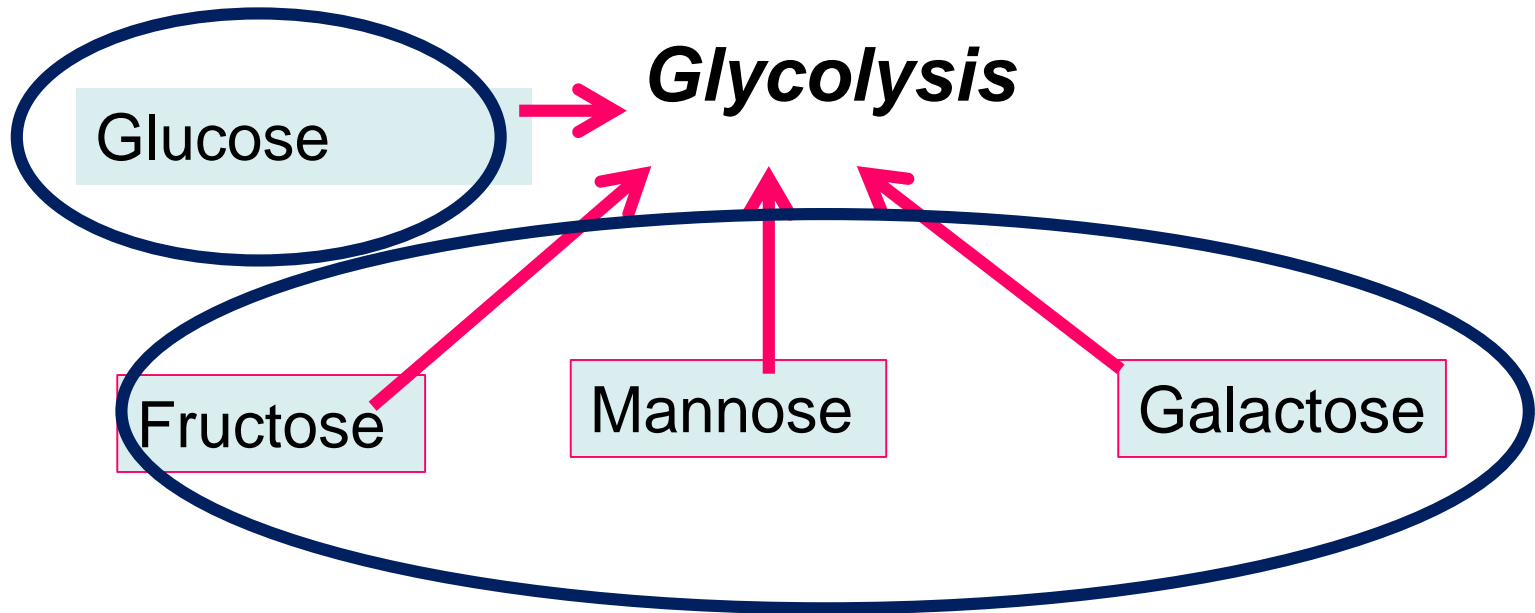


Mannose 6-phosphate is isomerized by phosphomannose isomerase to yield fructose 6-phosphate, an intermediate of glycolysis.

First phase requires an investment of 2 ATP molecules

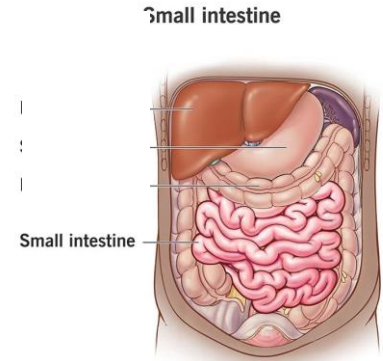
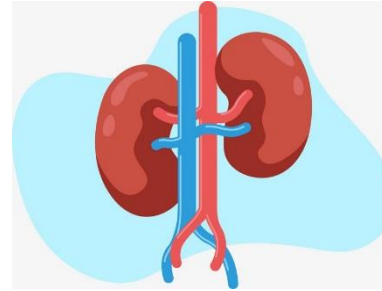
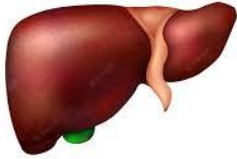
Mannose





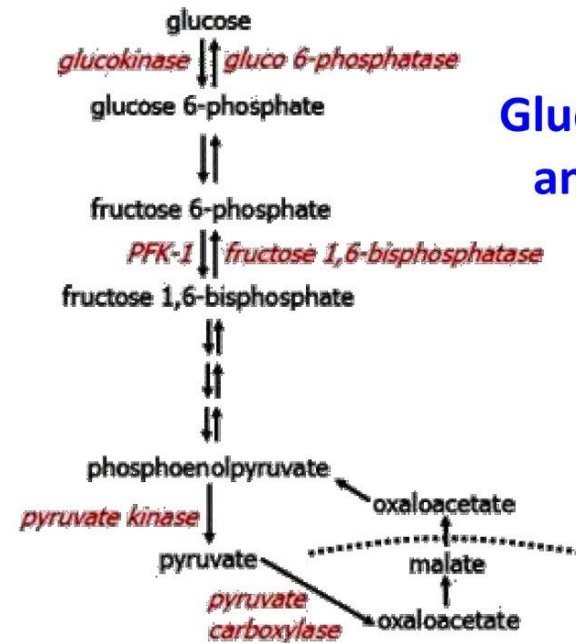
Gluconeogenesis

Occurs in **the liver** and to a lesser extent **kidneys and small intestine**



The **liver and kidney** can synthesize glucose from lactate, pyruvate, and amino acids (**non saccharides precursor**)

Under **fasting conditions**, gluconeogenesis supplies almost all of the body's glucose.



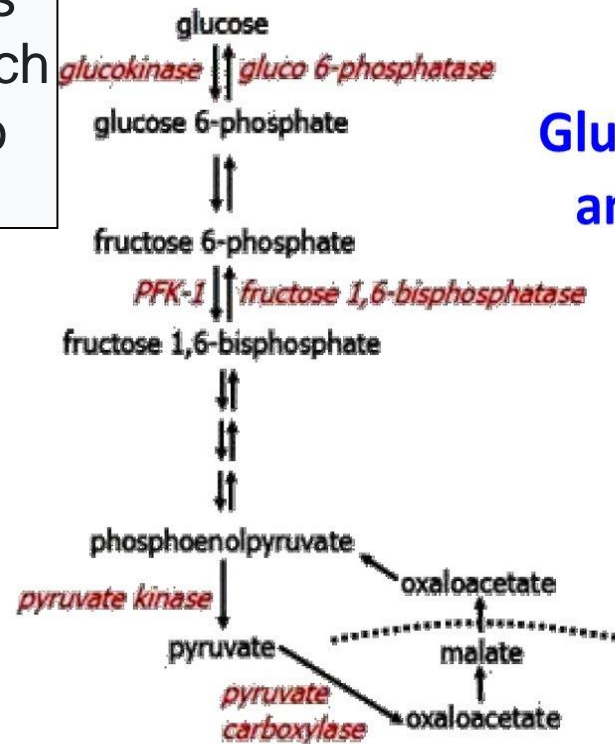
Gluconeogenesis and glycolysis

Glucose is required for metabolism in tissues such as the **brain**



The **muscle**, during exercise, converts glucose into pyruvate and lactate which go to the liver to be converted back to glucose.

Gluconeogenesis and glycolysis



Muscle and brain use a large part of the newly synthesized glucose.

- Gluconeogenesis is mostly the reverse of glycolysis

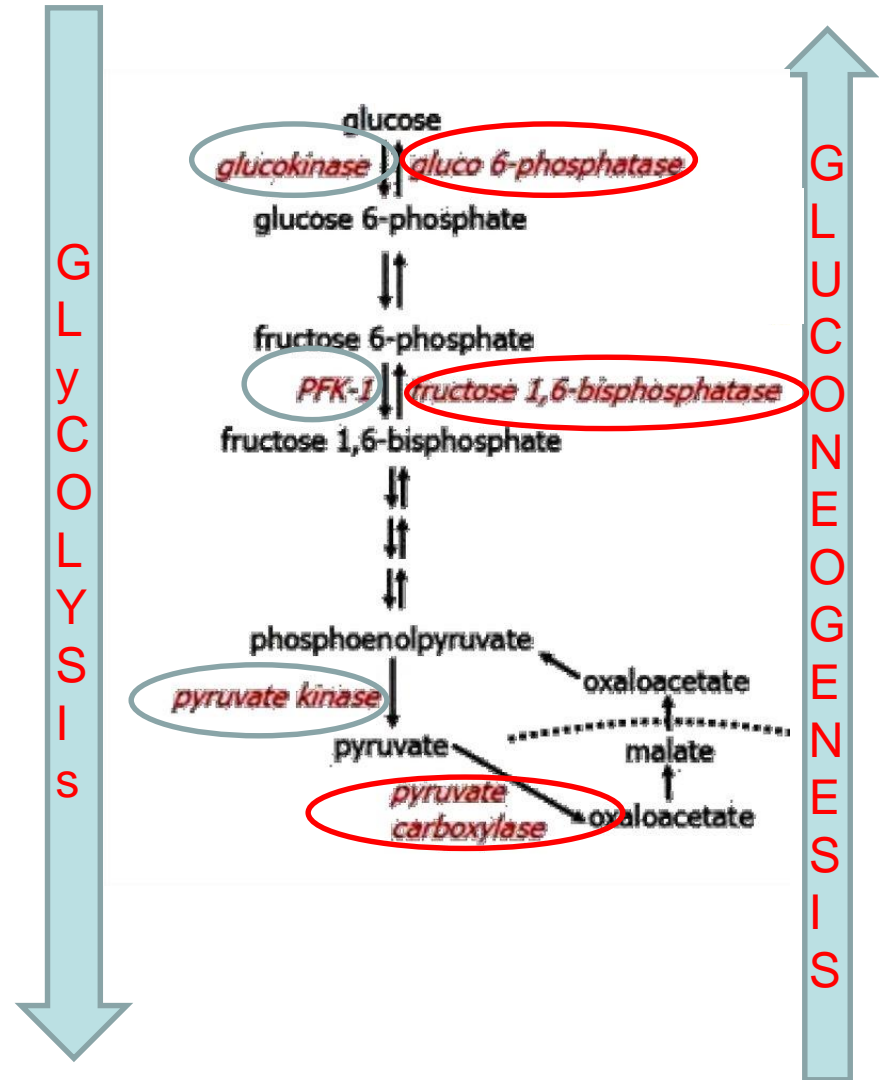
Glycolysis and gluconeogenesis differ in **three step**.

Three step are irreversible in the **glycolysis** which have exergonic ΔG

- hexokinase
- phosphofructokinase 1 (PFK1)
- pyruvate kinase

They are catalyzed by different enzymes in biosynthesis

- Glucose 6-phosphatase
- Fructose 1,6 biphosphatase
- Pyruvate carboxylase

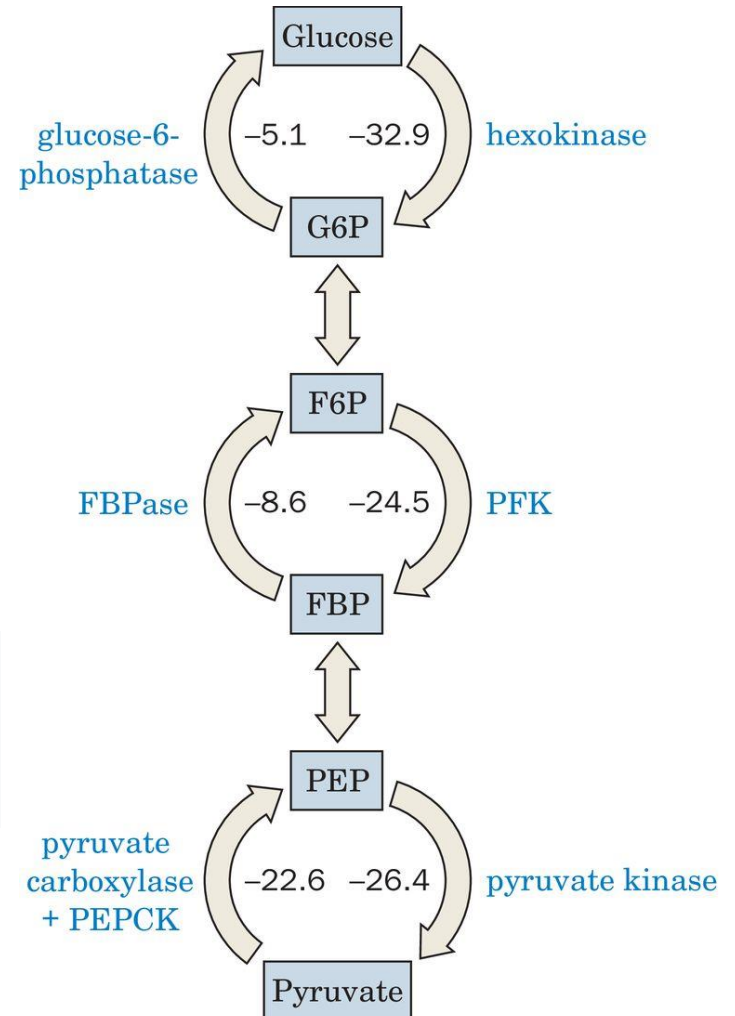


Gluconeogenesis

- Byosynthesis of 1 glucose molecule requires:
 - 4 ATP
 - 2 NADH
 - 2 GTP
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- $2 \text{ pyruvate} + 2 \text{ NADH} + 4 \text{ ATP} + 2\text{GTP} + 6 \text{ H}_2\text{O} + 2 \text{ H}^+ \text{ -----}\rightarrow$
 - $\text{Glucose} + 2 \text{ NAD}^+ + 4 \text{ ADP} + 2 \text{ GDP} + 6 \text{ Pi}$

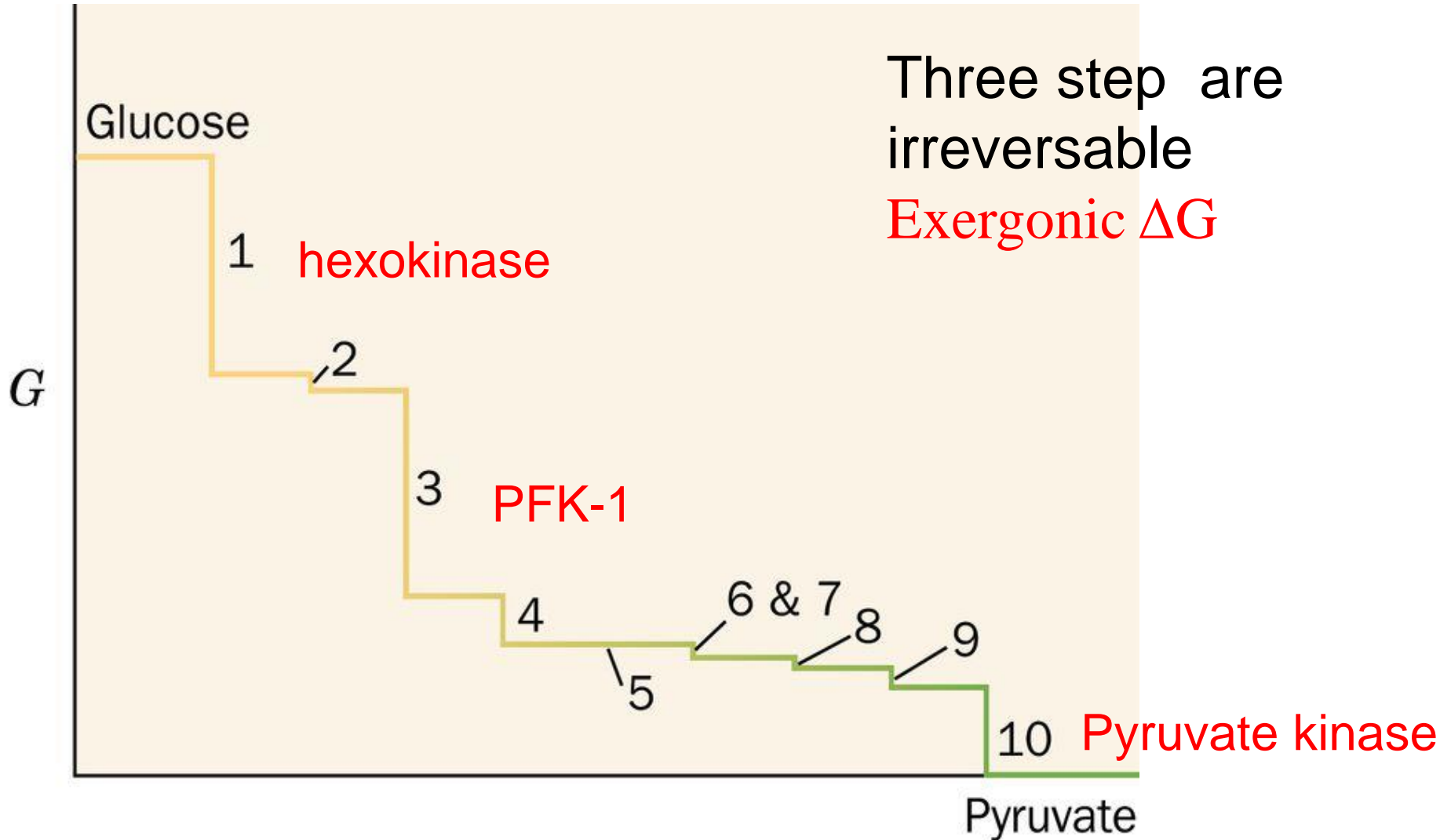
- Glycolysis and gluconeogenesis are reciprocally regulated by allosteric effects, phosphorylation, and changes in enzyme synthesis rates.

The enzymes involved are regulated so that both pathways are **EXERGONIC** by SUBSTRATE CYCLES



ΔG 's obtained from Newsholme, E.A. and Leech, A.R., Biochemistry for the Medical Sciences, p. 448, Wiley (1983).

Diagram of Free Energy Changes



Substrate Cycles in Glucose Metabolism

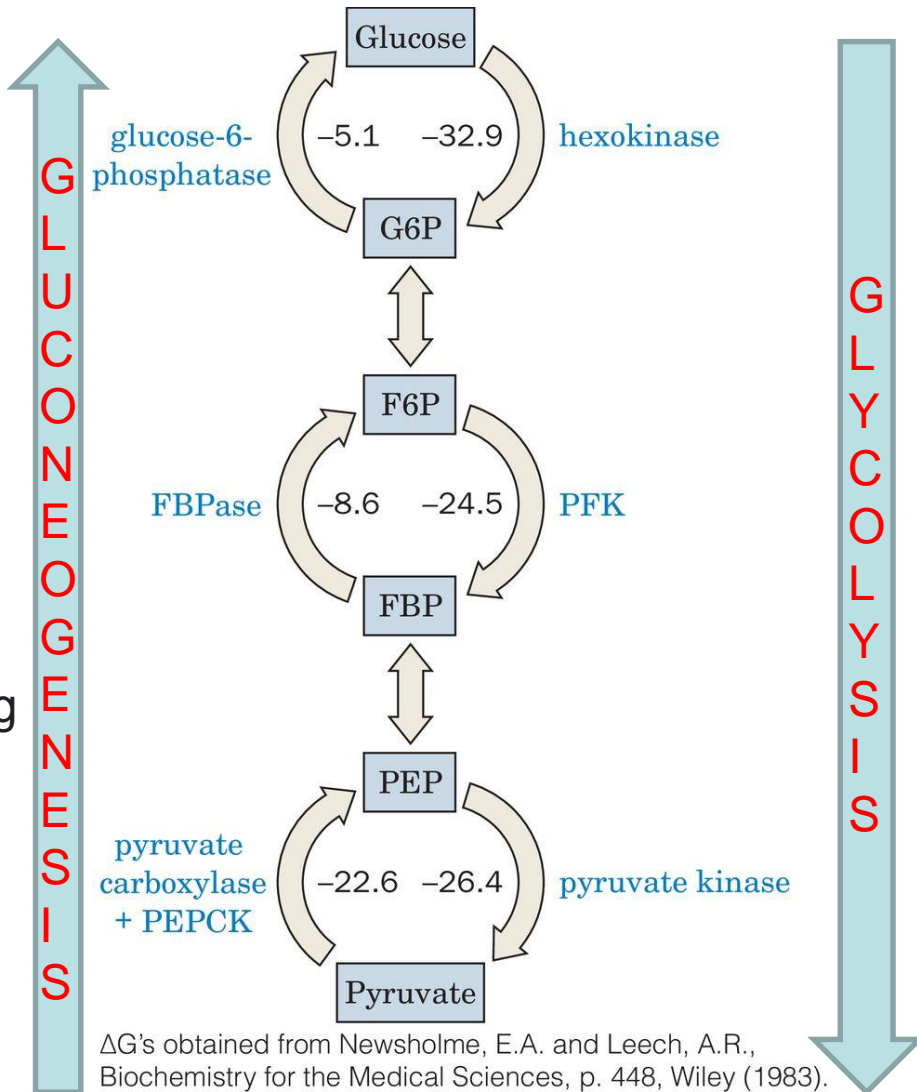
In the absence of regulatory mechanisms, in the **three points of deviation** of the gluconeogenesis



the simultaneous functioning of both pathways could give rise to a so-called "FUTILE CYCLE"



(reaction that disperses energy resulting from the hydrolysis of ATP without carrying out any net metabolic work)



Glycolysis and gluconeogenesis are mutually regulated.

The regulation is at the level of the deviation points

GLYCOLYSIS REGULATION:

The three checkpoints of glycolysis are the reactions catalyzed by:

Hexokinase

Phosphofructokinase-1 (PFK-1)

Pyruvate kinase

GLUCONEOGENESIS REGULATION:

The three checkpoints of gluconeogenesis are the reactions catalyzed by:

-Glucose 6-phosphatase

- Fructose 1,6 biphosphatase

- Pyruvate carboxylase

Gluconeogenesis vs Glycolysis

Pyruvate \rightleftharpoons PEP
requires two reactions

mitochondria

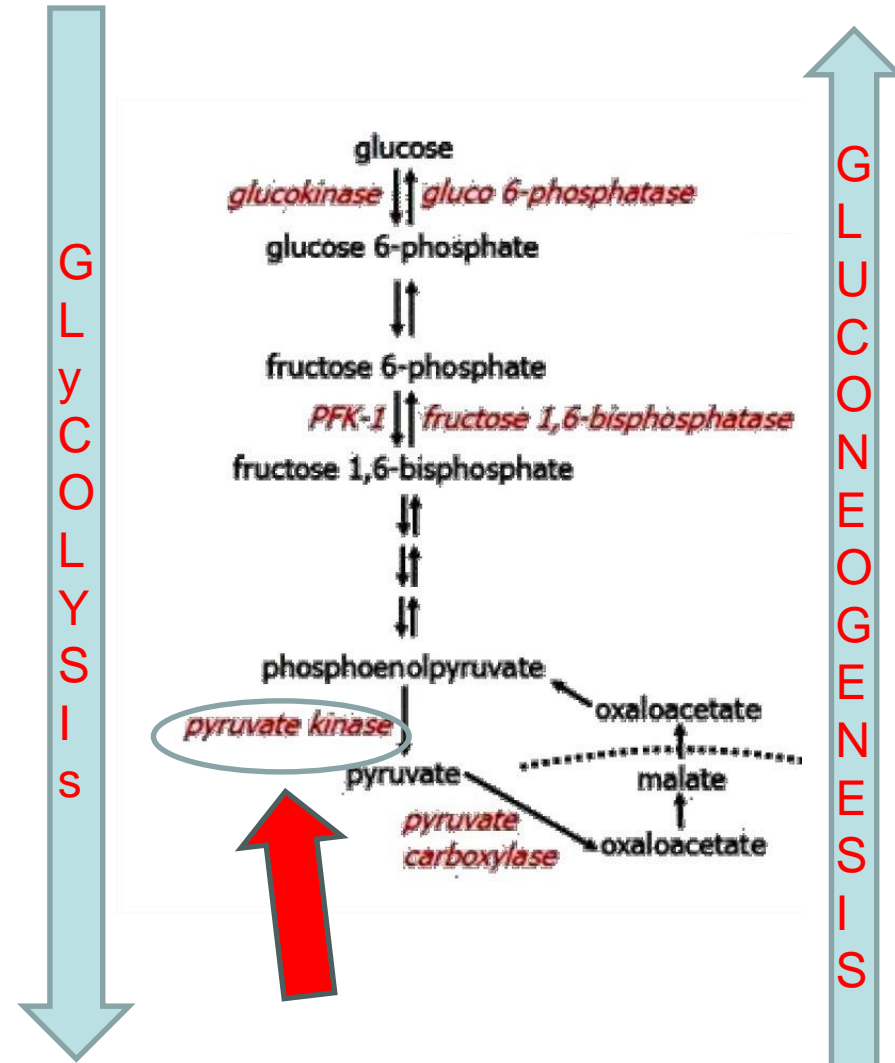
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cytosol

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PYRUVATE \rightarrow OXALOACETATE \rightarrow PEP

First step to regulation

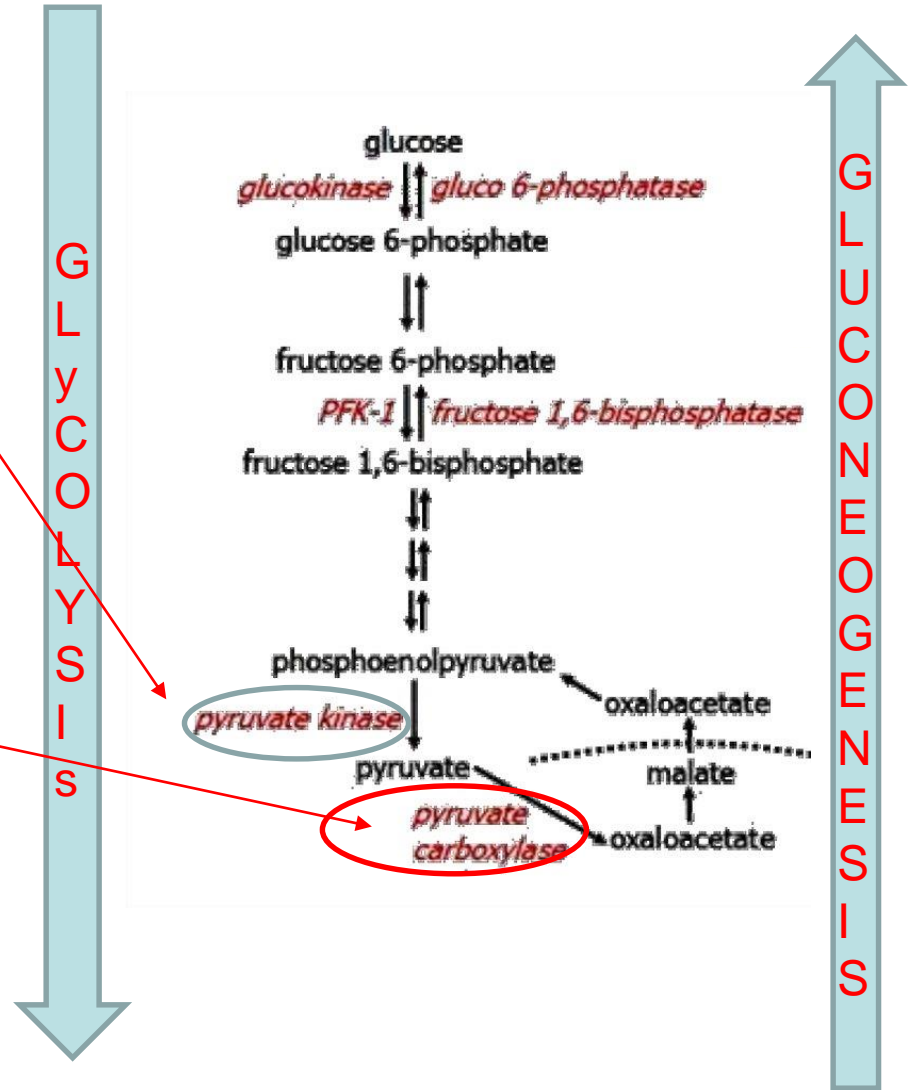


Glycolysis

- pyruvate kinase
- phosphofructokinase 1
- hexokinase

Gluconeogenesis

- pyruvate carboxylase
- Fructose 1,6 biphosphatase
- Glucose 6-phosphatase

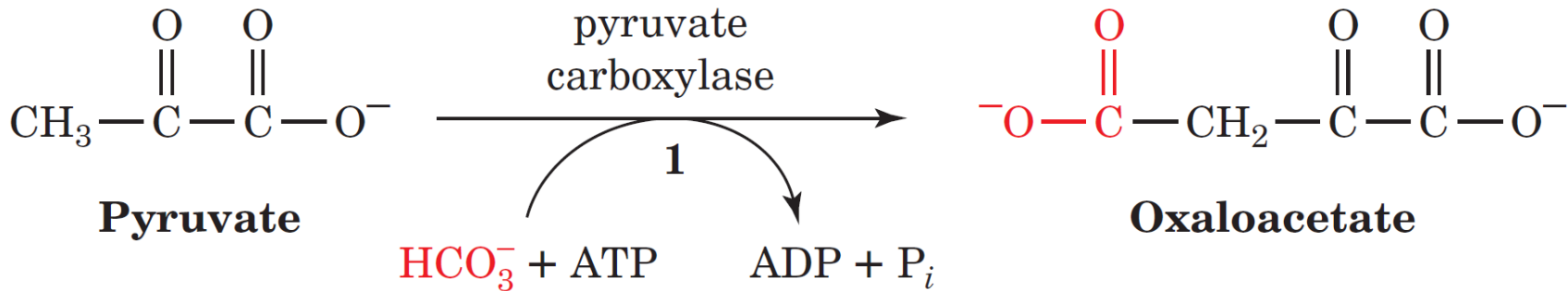
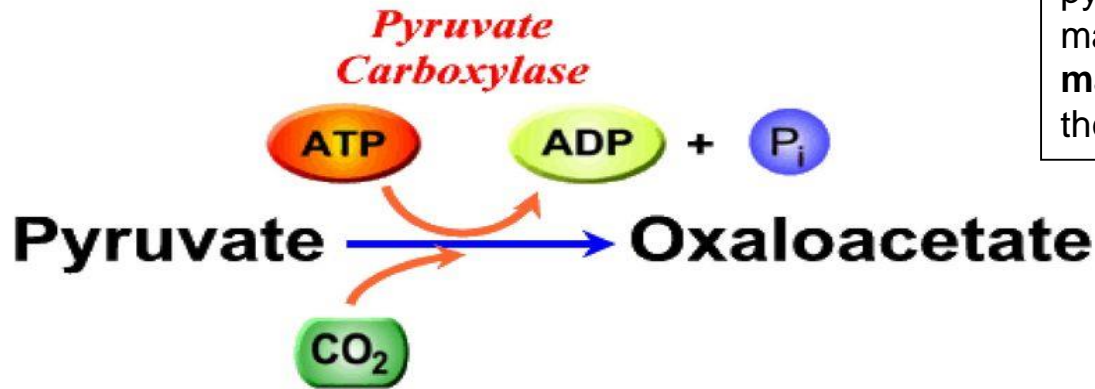


Pyruvate carboxylase

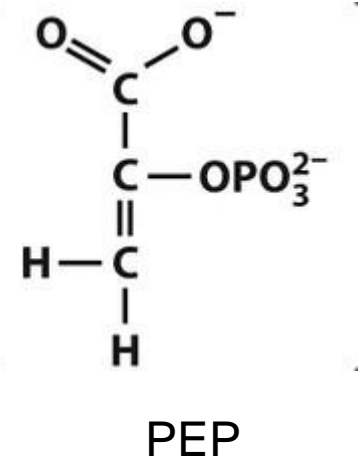
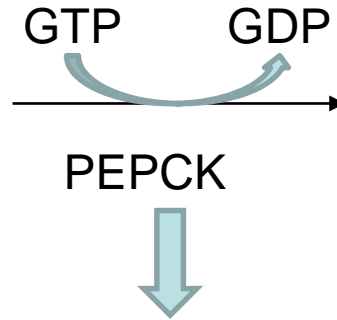
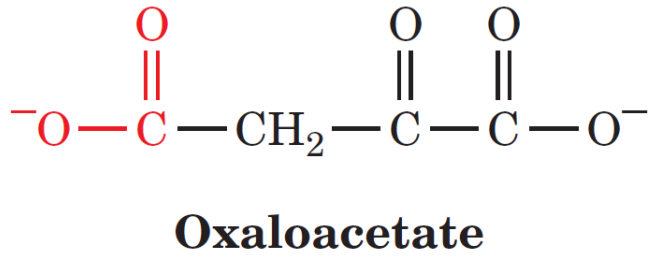
liver and kidney but absent in muscle

- **ATP, biotin, Mn⁺⁺ and CO₂ are required.**

Because the mitochondrial membrane has no transporter for oxaloacetate, before export to the cytosol the oxaloacetate formed from pyruvate must be reduced to malate by mitochondrial **malate dehydrogenase**, at the expense of NADH:



Cytosol



Phosphoenolpyruvate carboxokinase

Requires **GTP** as donor to phosphoric group

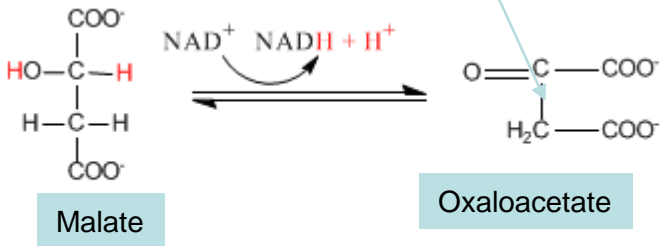
Phosphoenolpyruvate carboxokinase of bacteria used ATP as phosphate donor while in animals used GTP

Gluconeogenesis require a shift of metabolites between cytosol and mitochondrion

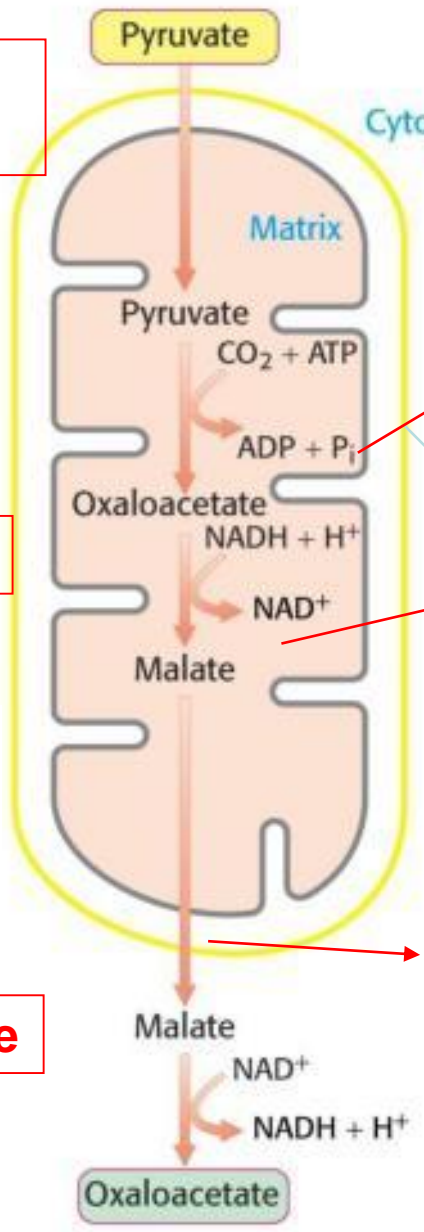
Pyruvate carboxylase
Is only mitochondrial Enzyme

Pyruvate carboxylase

Malate dehydrogenase



Malate dehydrogenase

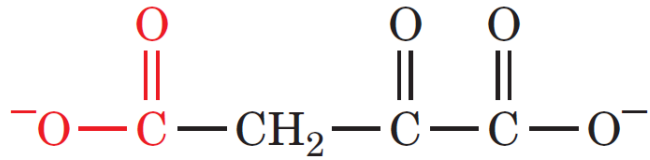


1
Oxaloacetate does not have a carrier into mitochondrial membrane

2
Oxaloacetate is reduced to **malate** by the mitochondrial **malate dehydrogenase**.
NADH + H+ -> NAD+

3
The **malate** enters the **cytosol** using an exchanger protein and is oxidized by the cytosolic **malate dehydrogenase** to oxaloacetate.
NAD+ + H+ -> NADH

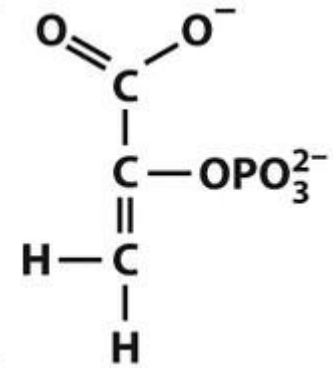
Cytosol



Oxaloacetate



PEPCK



PEP

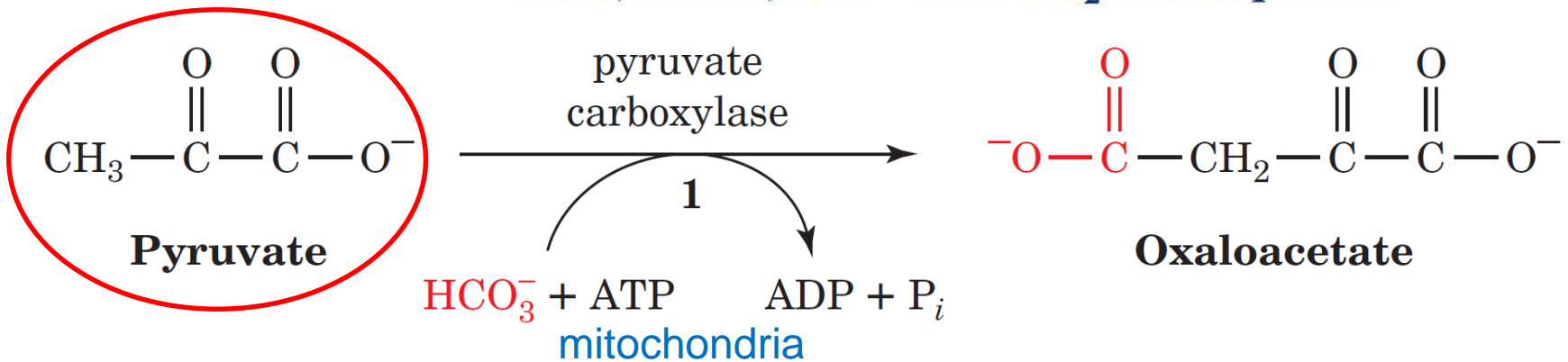
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Pyruvate Carboxylase Reaction

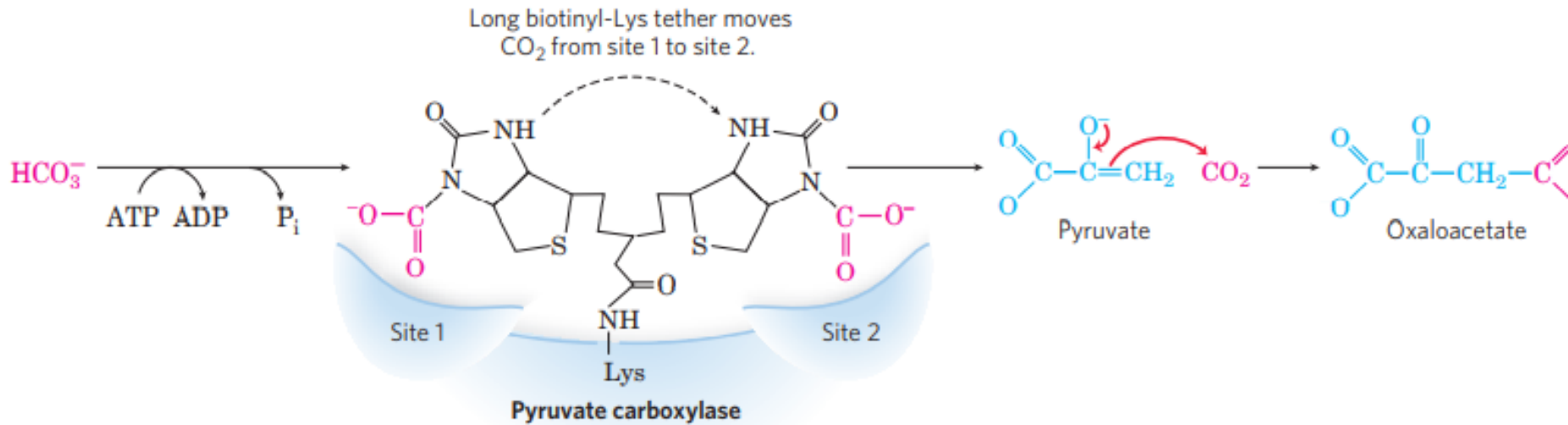
- **ATP, biotin, Mn⁺⁺ and CO₂ are required.**



Carboxylation involving pyruvate, bicarbonate ion, biotin and ATP

Mechanism

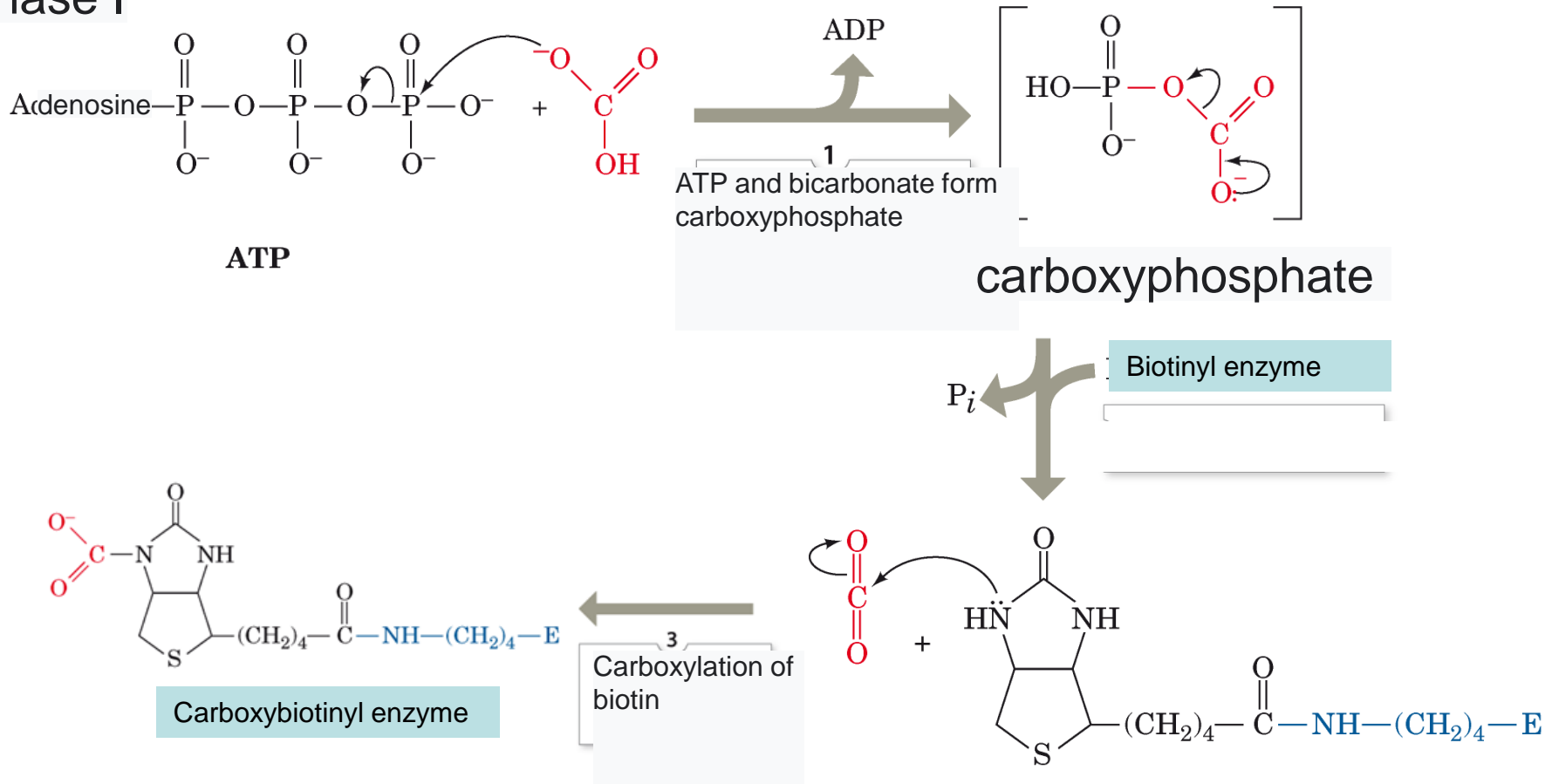
Biotin is covalently attached to the enzyme through an amide linkage to the ϵ '-amino group of a Lys residue, forming a biotinyl-enzyme.



Mechanism

The reaction occurs in two phases, which occur at two different sites in the enzyme

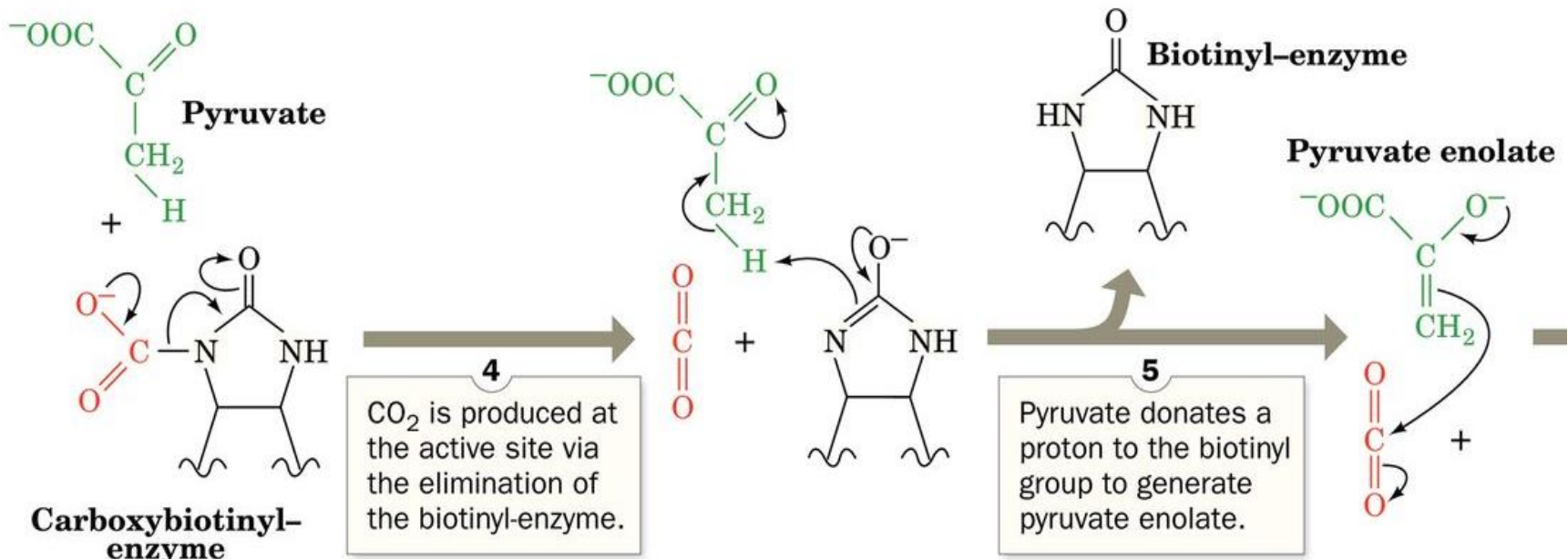
Phase I



At catalytic site 1, bicarbonate ion is converted to CO_2 at the expense of ATP. Then CO_2 reacts with biotin, forming carboxybiotinyl-enzyme

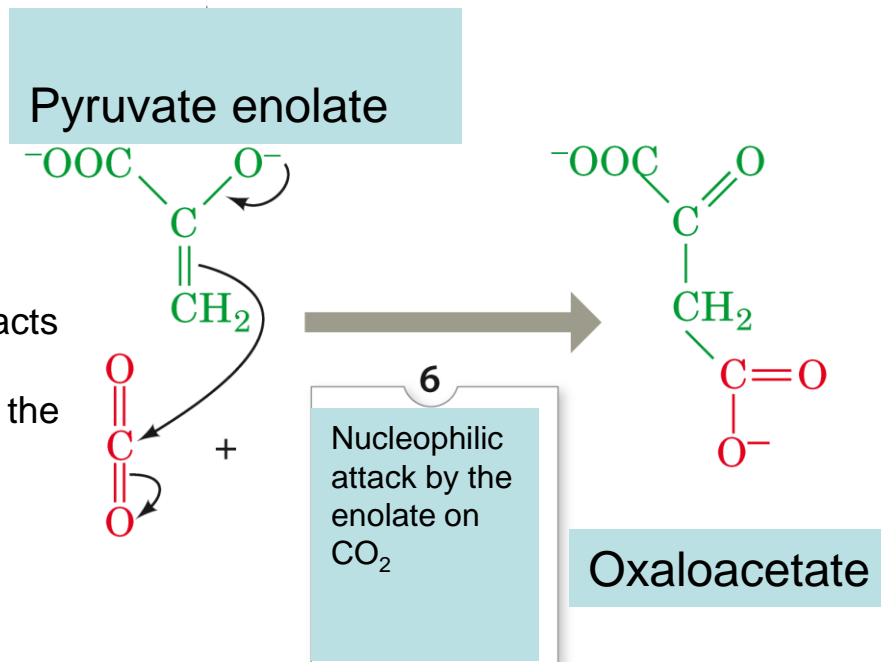
Biotinyl enzyme

Phase II



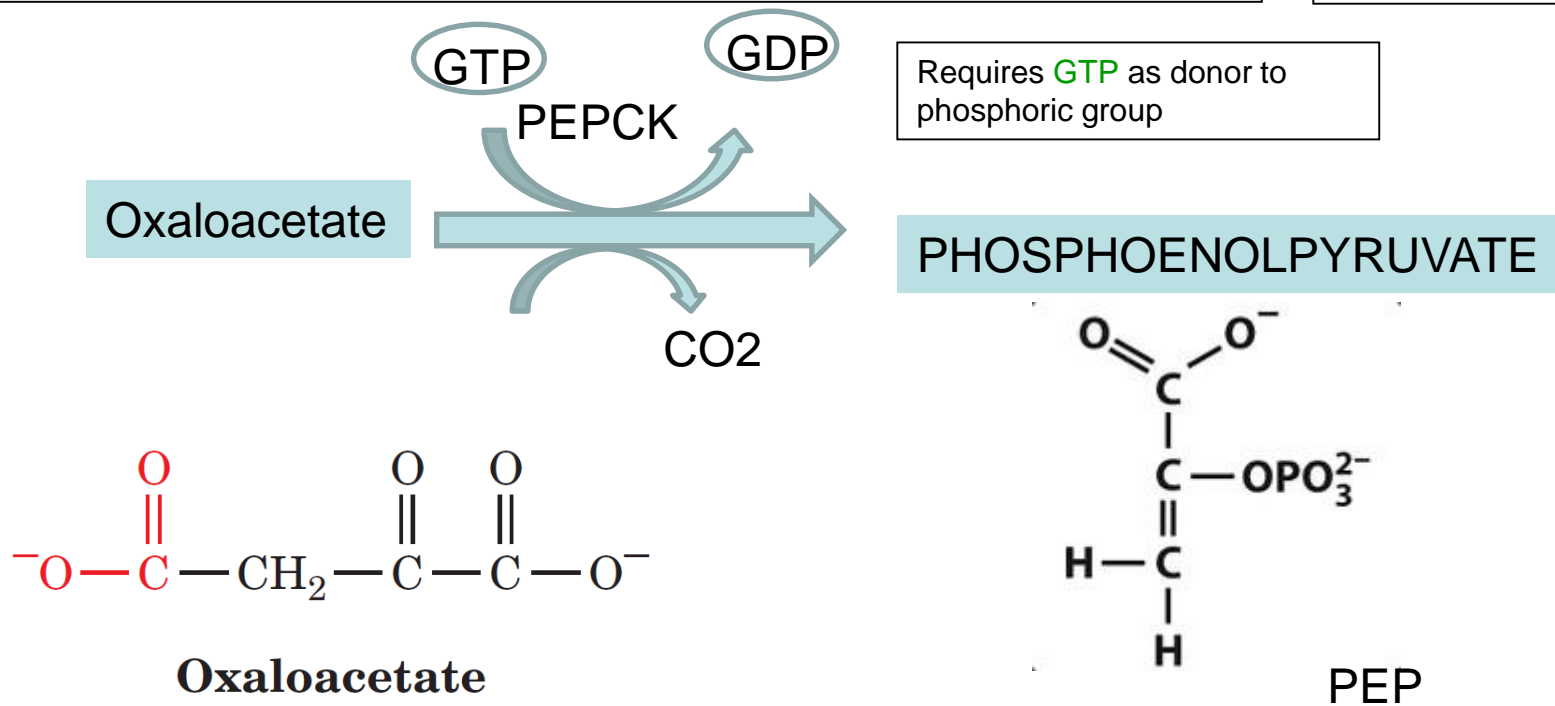
. The long arm composed of biotin and the Lys side chain to which it is attached then carry the CO₂ of carboxybiotinyl-enzyme

where CO₂ is released and reacts with the pyruvate, forming oxaloacetate and regenerating the biotinyl-enzyme.



Phosphoenolpyruvate carboxokinase

CYTOSOL

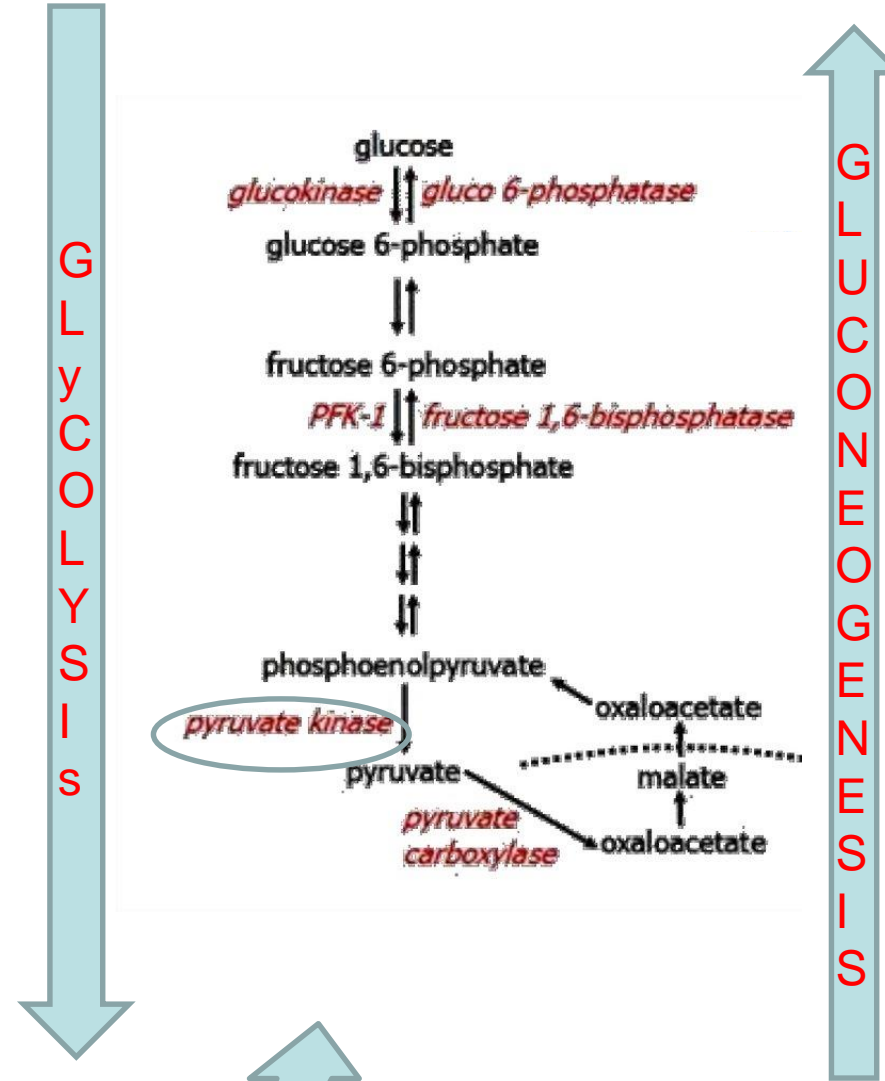
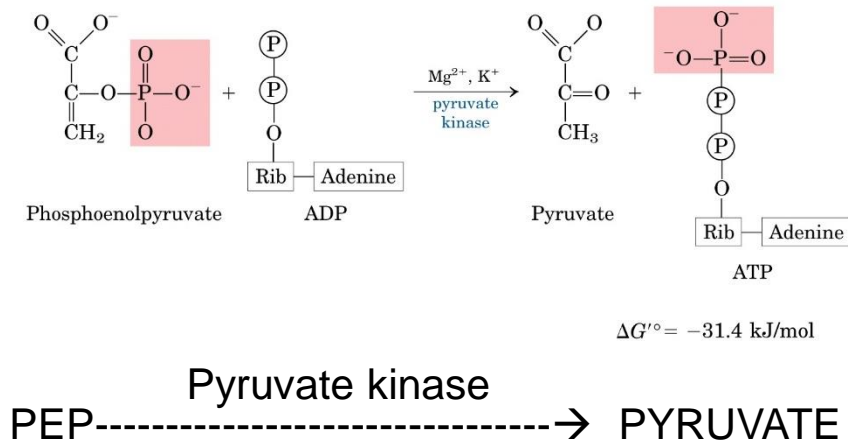


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Gluconeogenesis vs Glycolysis

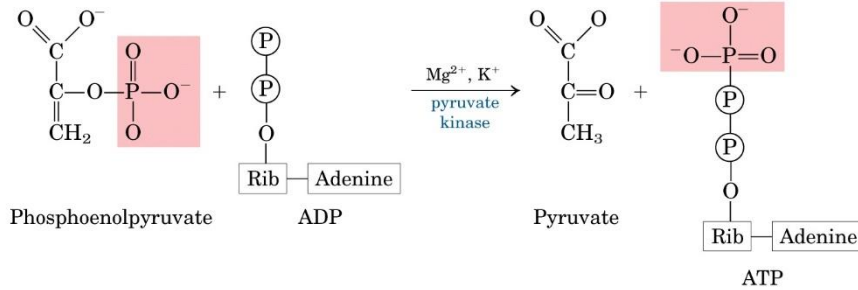


First step to regulation

Pyruvate kinase regulation (glycolysis)

Requires Mg^{2+} e K^+

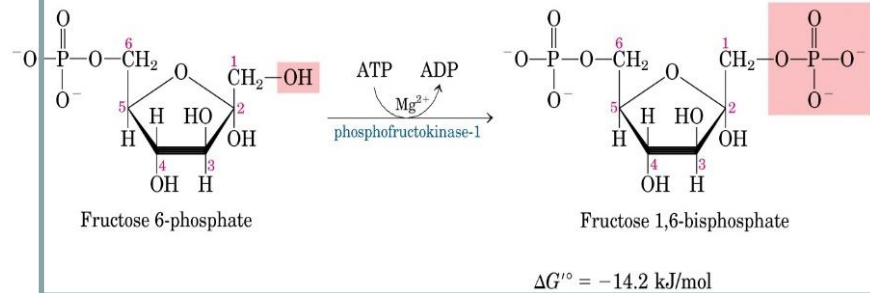
- Allosteric regulation
- Covalently modification
- Hormonal regulation (glucagon)



$$\Delta G'^{\circ} = -31.4 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

Activator allosteric most important is fructose 1,6-biphosphate (glycolysis intermediate) (3 step)

(3 step of glycolysis)



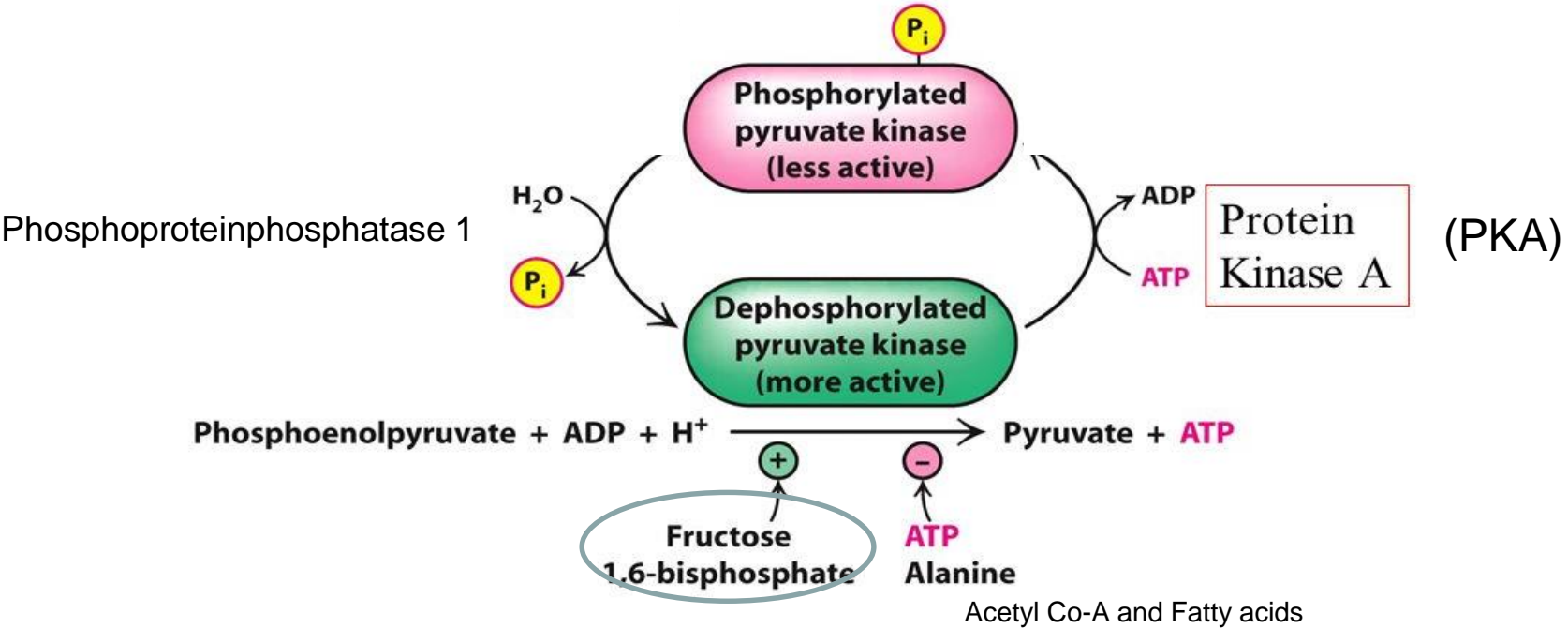
$$\Delta G'^{\circ} = -14.2 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

Glycolysis



Pyruvate kinase regulation (glycolysis)

- Covalently modification



Allosteric regulation

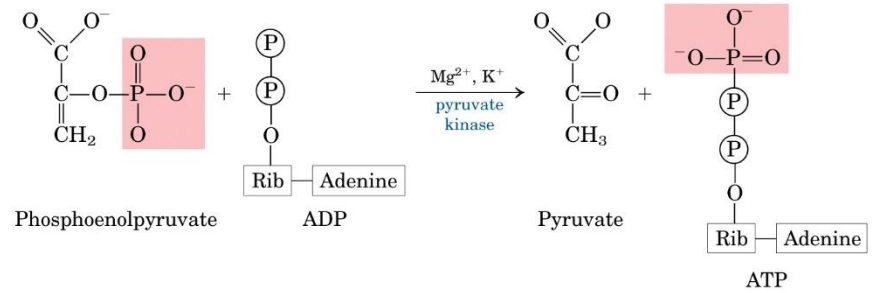
Allosteric inhibition of pyruvate kinase

- ATP
- Acetyl Co-A,
- Long chain fatty acids (signs of abundant availability of energy)
- Alanine (synthesized by pyruvate by 1 step)

glycolysis is inhibited

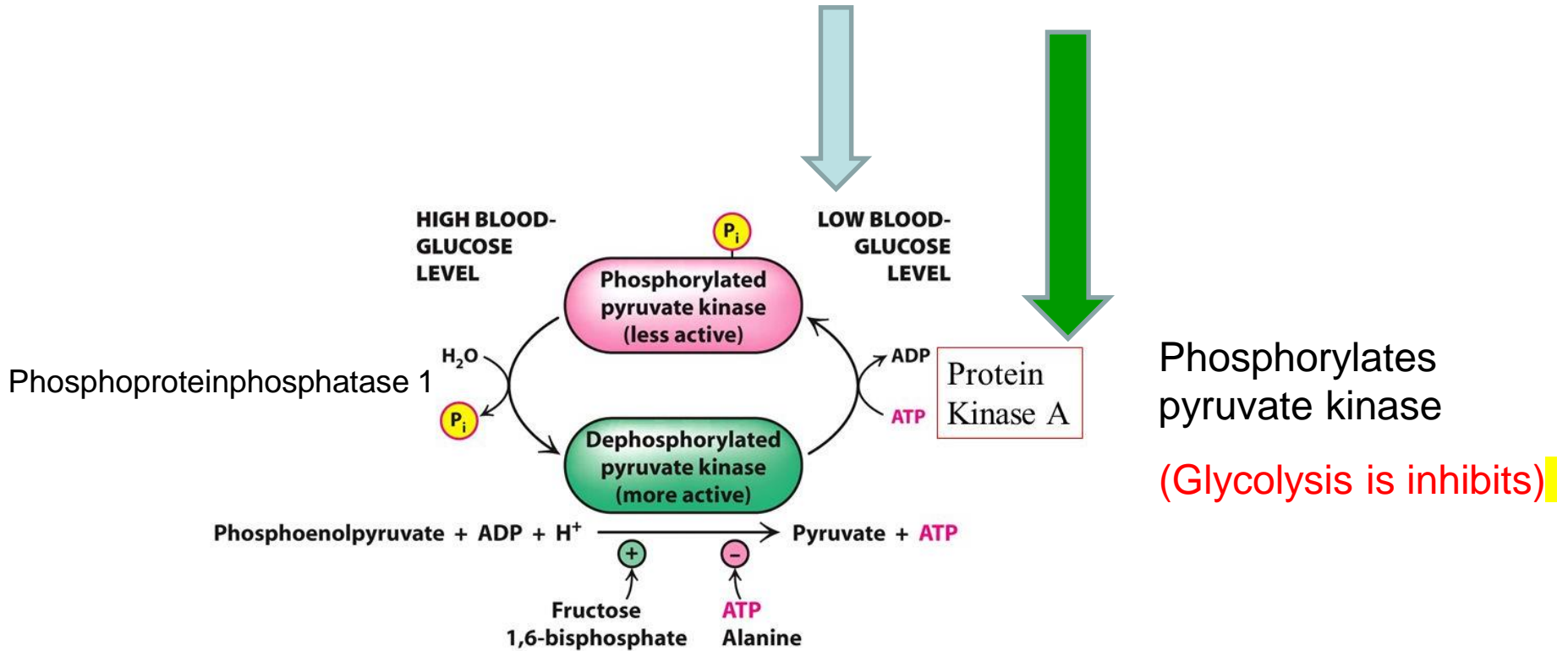
Pyruvate kinase regulation

- Hormonal regulation (**glucagon**)



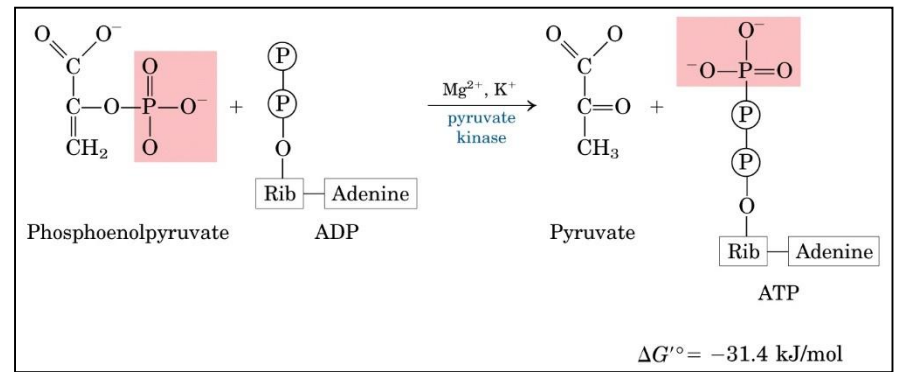
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When [glucose] decreases --> glucagon-----> Protein kinase A (PKA)

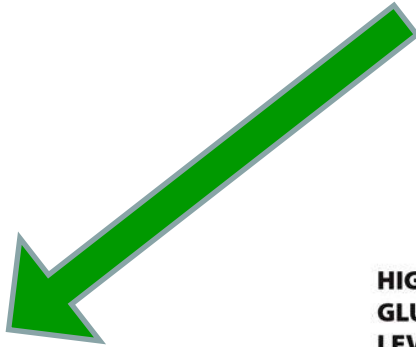


Pyruvate kinase regulation

- Hormonal regulation (insulin)

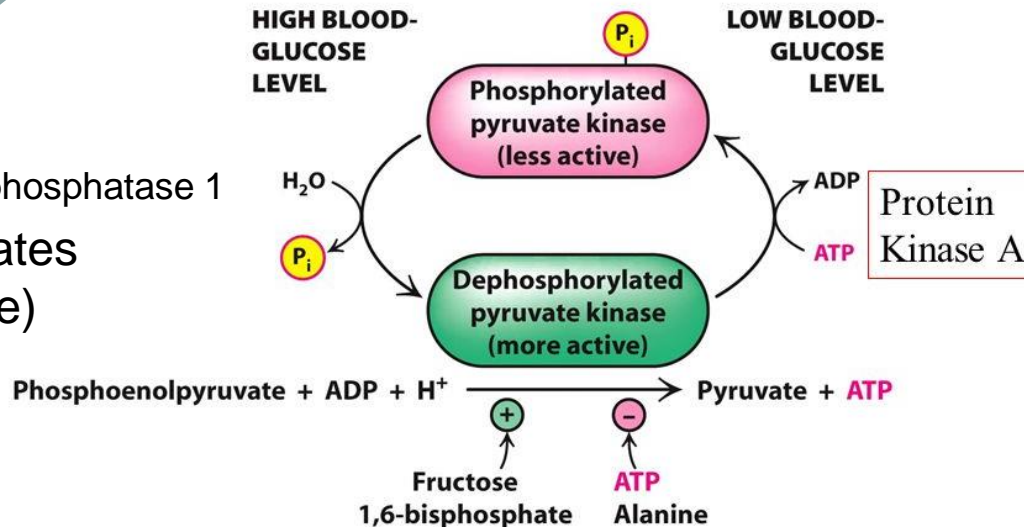


When [glucose] increases \rightarrow insulin \rightarrow phosphoproteinphosphatase 1



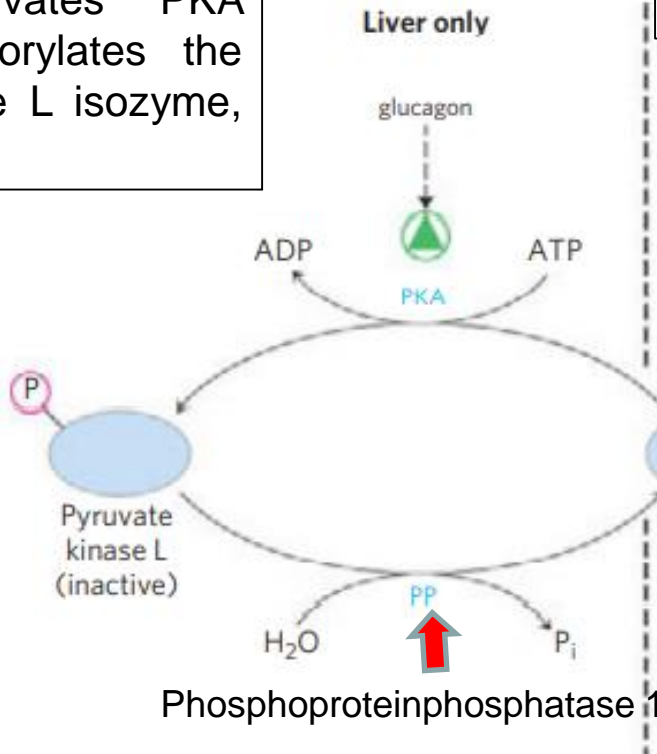
Phosphoproteinphosphatase 1
(dephosphorylates
pyruvate kinase)

Glycolysis
increases



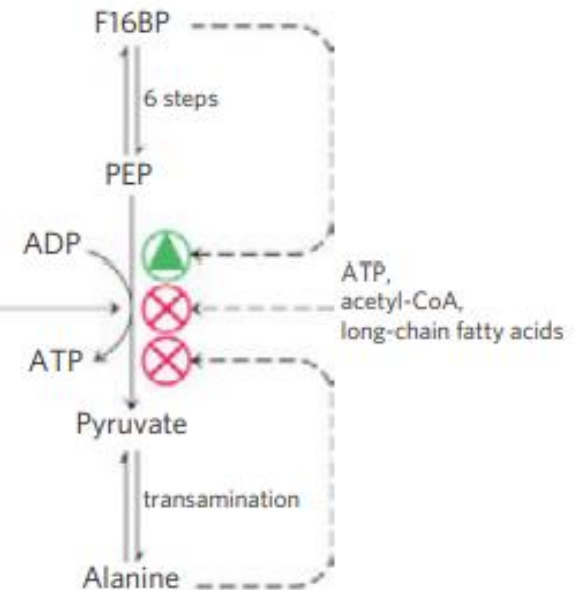
Regulation of pyruvate kinase.

The **liver isozyme (L form)** is also regulated hormonally. Glucagon activates PKA (which phosphorylates the pyruvate kinase L isozyme, inactivating it.)



Allosteric inhibition of pyruvate kinase

- ATP
- Acetyl Co-A,
- Long chain fatty acids
- Alanine (synthesized by pyruvate by 1 step)



The **muscle isozyme (M form)** is not affected by this phosphorylation mechanism.

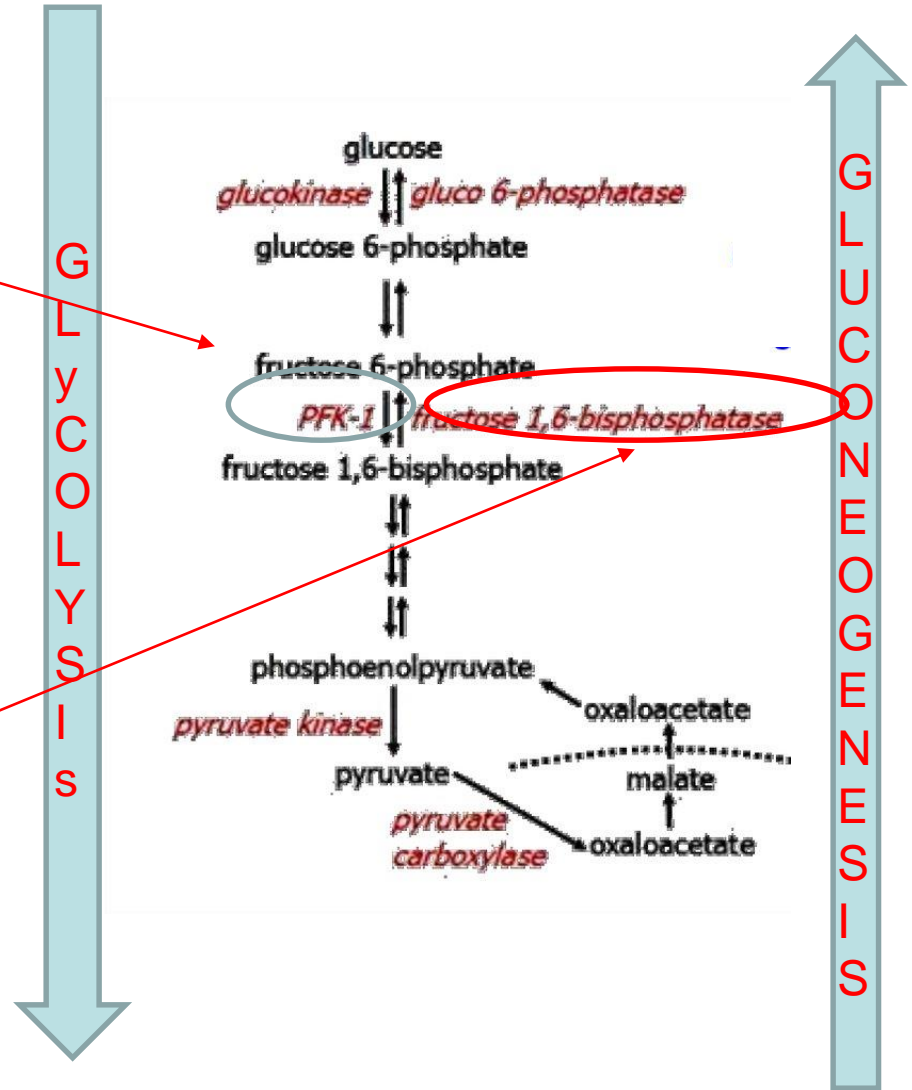
Accumulation of **alanine**, which can be synthesized from pyruvate in one step, allosterically inhibits pyruvate kinase, slowing the production of pyruvate by glycolysis.

Glycolysis

- Pyruvate kinase
- **Phosphofructokinase 1 (PFK-1)**
- Hexokinase

Gluconeogenesis

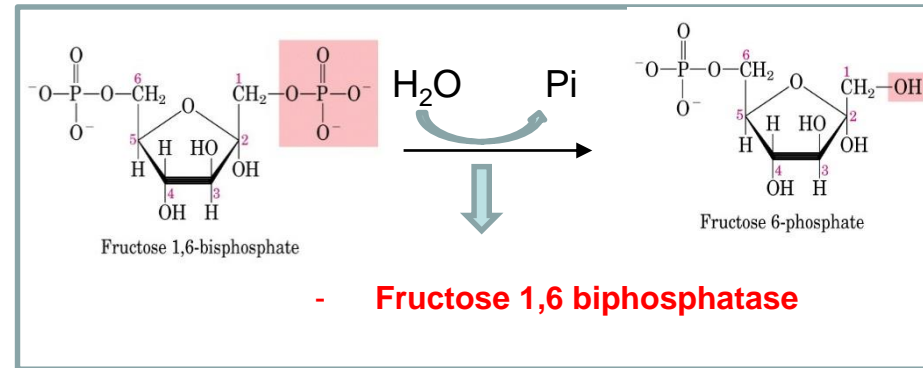
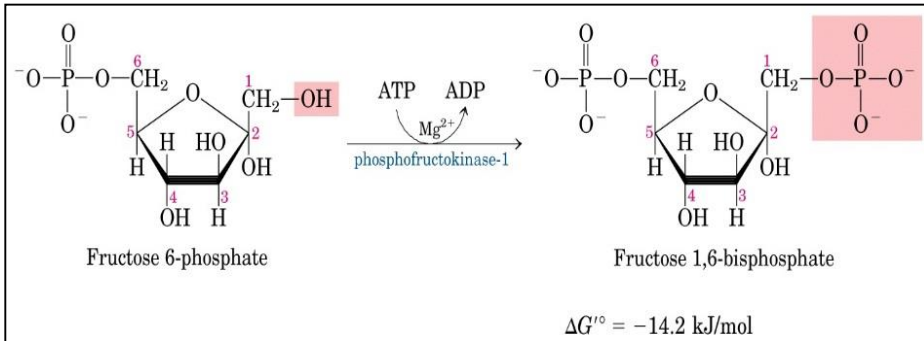
- **Pyruvate decarboxylase**
- **Fructose 1,6 biphosphatase**
- **Glucose 6-phosphatase**



Second step to regulation

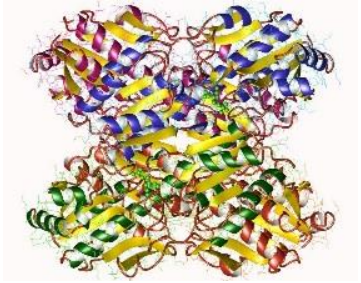
Phosphofructokinase-1 (PFK-1).
(glycolysis)

- **Fructose 1,6 biphosphatase (gluconeogenesis)**

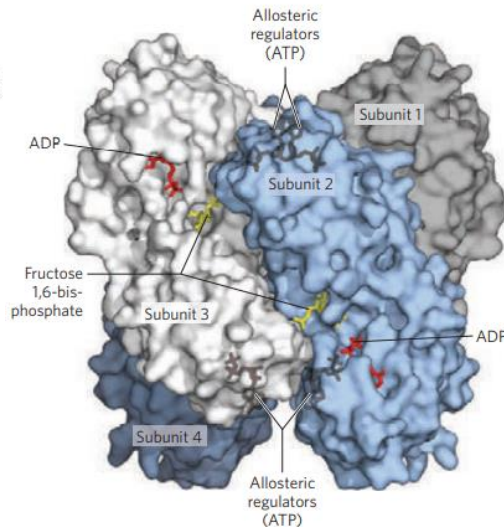
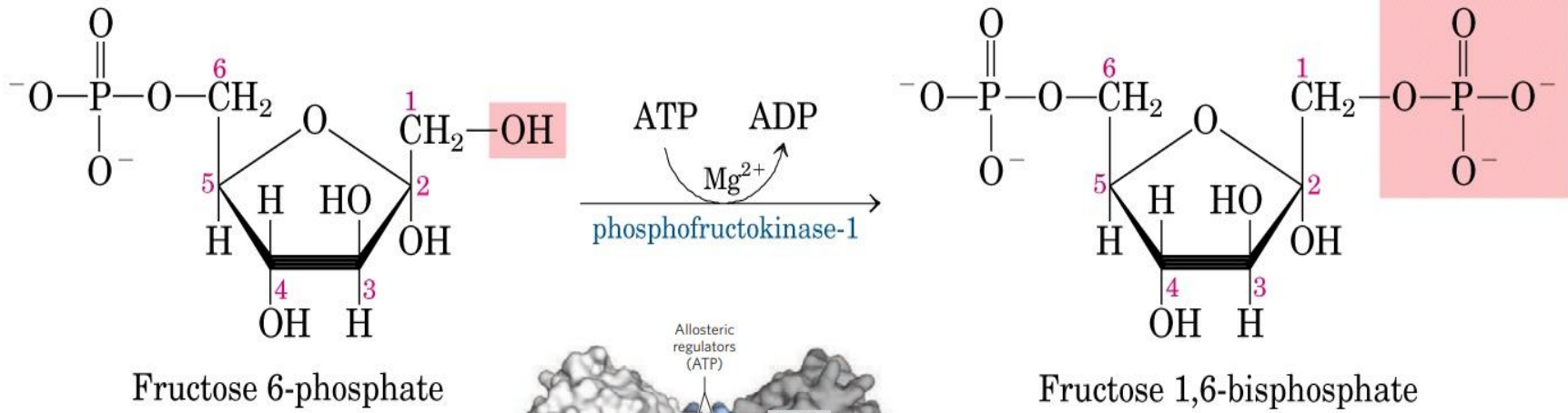


Phosphofructokinase-1 and Fructose 1,6-Bisphosphatase Are Reciprocally Regulated

Phosphofructokinase-1 (PFK-1). (glycolysis)



The enzyme is a **tetramer** formed by **two pairs of α and β subunits**



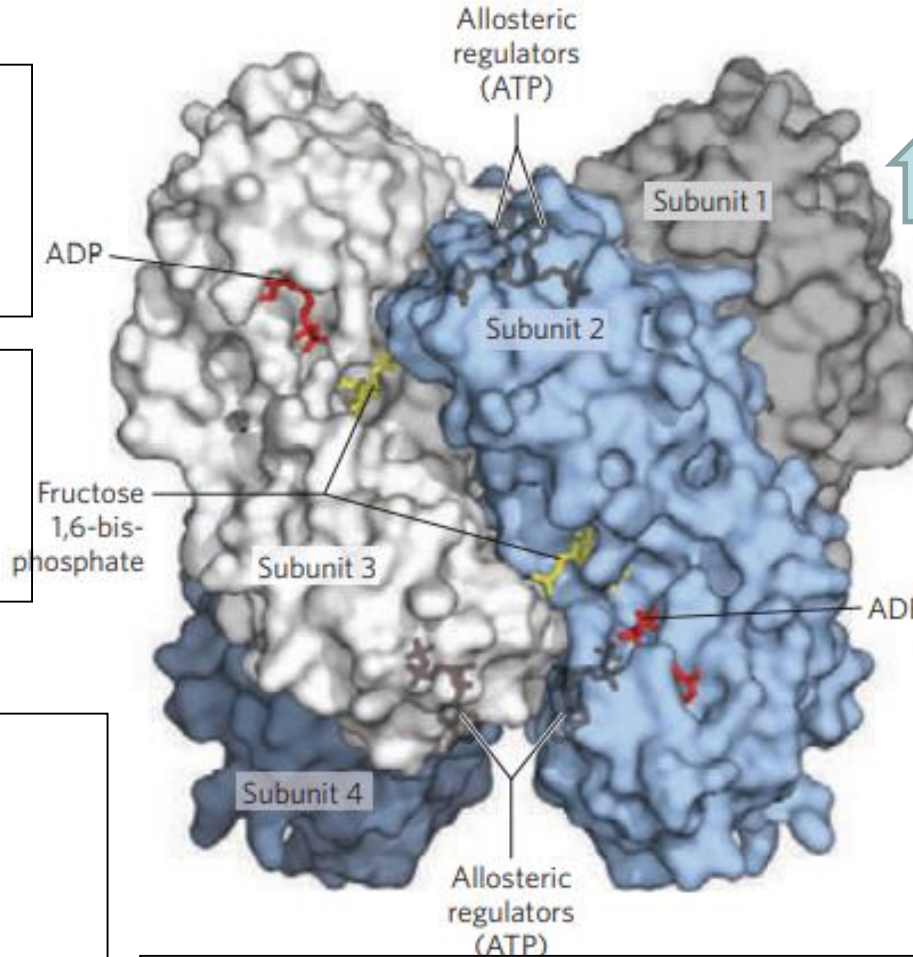
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Phosphofruktokinase-1 (PFK-1)

(glycolysis).

Phosphofruktokinase-1 regulation has a complex allosteric reaction:

ATP is not only a substrate for PFK-1 but also an end product of the glycolytic pathway.



↑ [ADP] or [AMP],

When the consumption of ATP exceeds the production

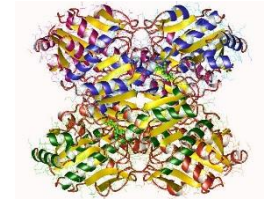
ADP and AMP act allosterically to relieve this inhibition by ATP..

↑ cellular [ATP]

↓
When ATP is produced faster than it is being consumed,

→
ATP inhibits PFK-1 by binding to an allosteric site and lowering the affinity of the enzyme for its substrate fructose 6-phosphate

Phosphofruktokinase-1 (PFK-1) (glycolysis).

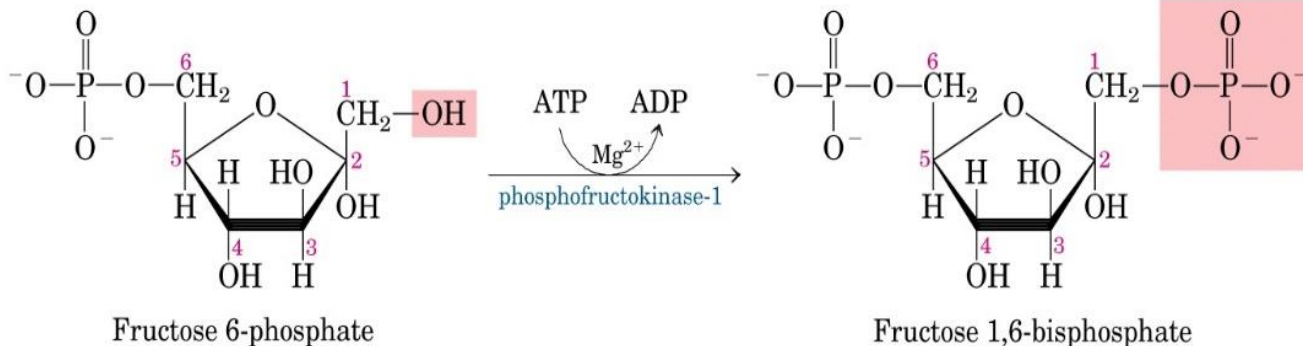
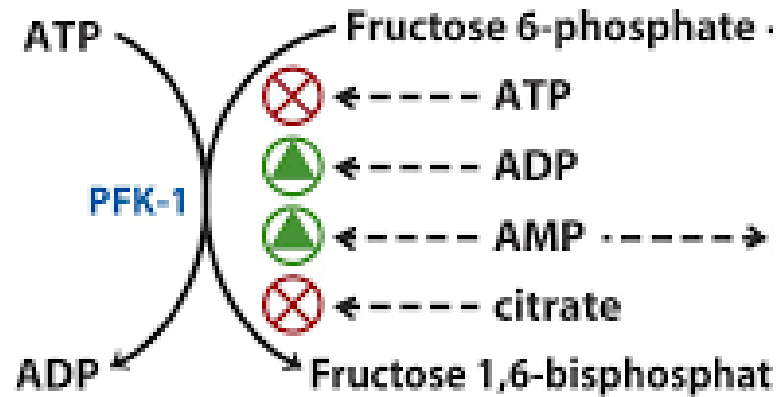


Phosphofruktokinase-1 regulation has a complex allosteric reaction:

-ATP, ADP e AMP

- Citrate

- Fructose 2,6 biphosphate



$$\Delta G'^{\circ} = -14.2 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

Phosphofructokinase-1(PFK-1).

ATP allosteric regulation

1. High ATP concentration.....Km increased ($K_m = 0,5$)

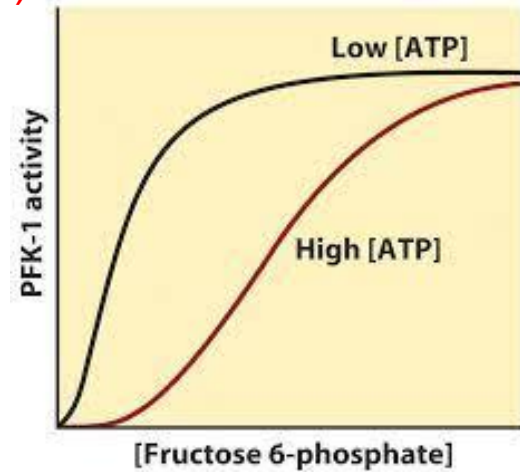


ATP is negative modulator allosteric

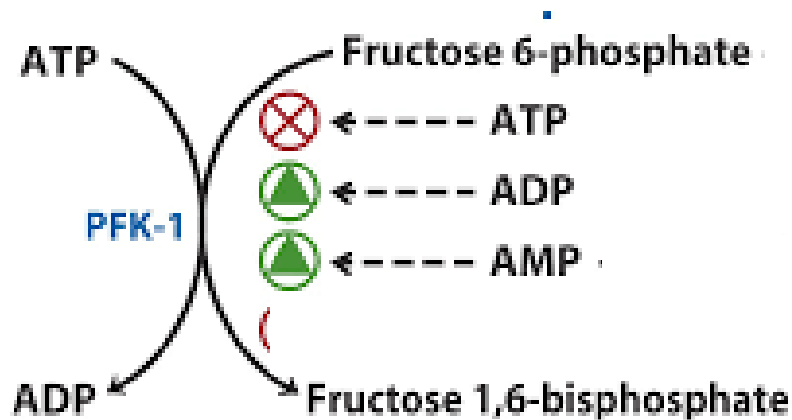
2. Low [ATP] = High [AMP]Km is minor to 0,5

- AMP is allosteric activator

Enzyme working to high velocity also in the presence of low substrate concentration.

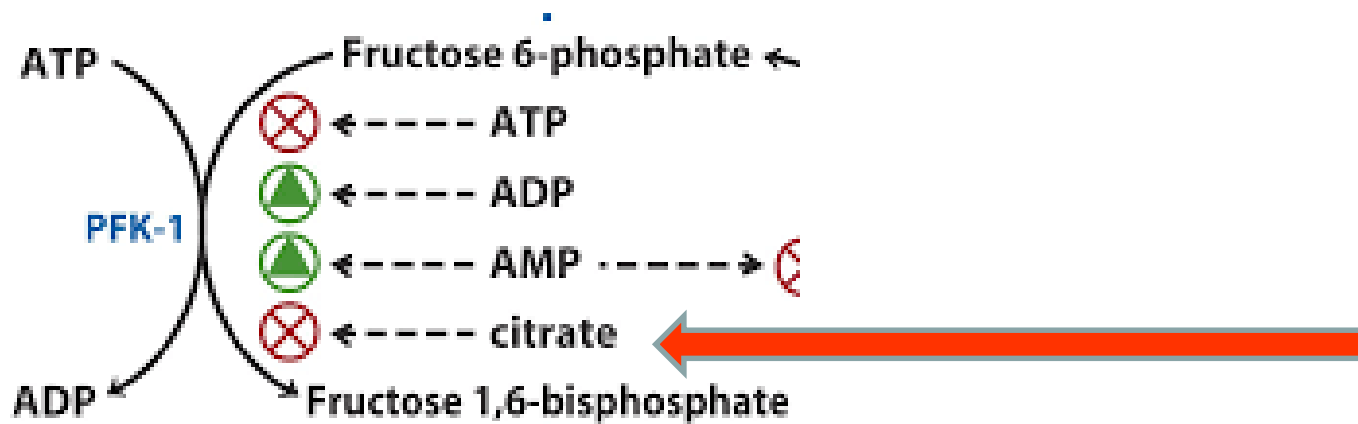


Cynetic of PFK-1 is sigmoidal:



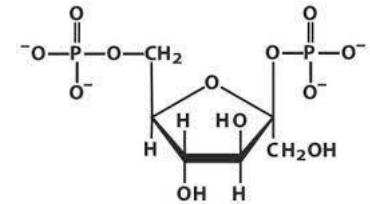
Citrate regulation of PFK-1 (negative modulator)

- Citrate, is key intermediate of aerobic oxidation of pyruvate, fatty acids and amino acids
- High [citrate] indicate that energy storage is satisfied and decrease the glucose flow towards glycolysis

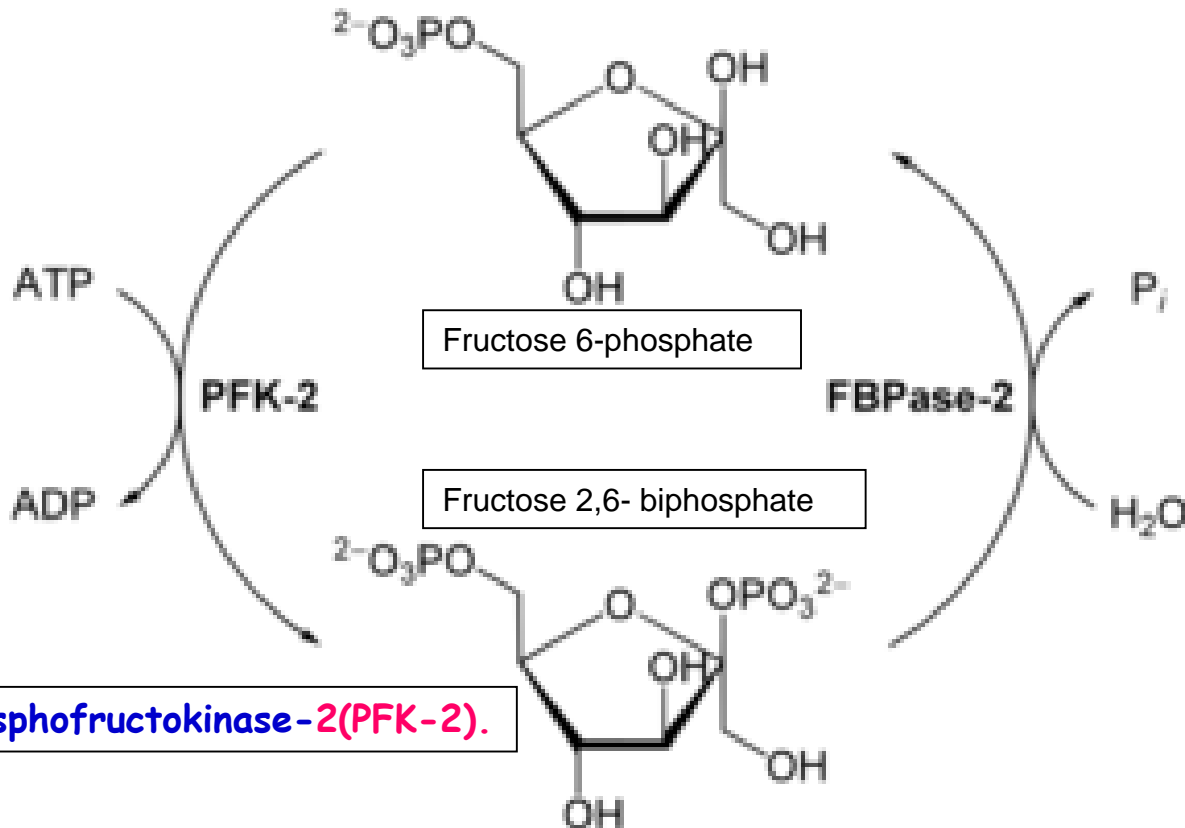


PFK-1 catalyzes the reaction only in the presence of fructose 2,6- biphosphate

Synthesis of fructose 2,6 biphosphate



Fructose 2,6-bisphosphate



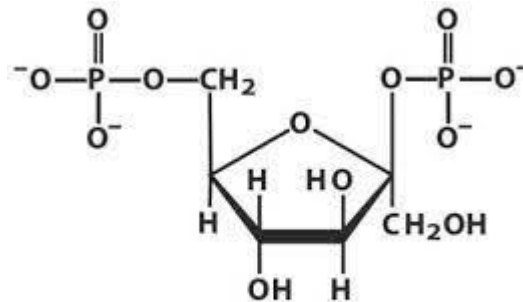
Riconverted to fructose 6-P by **fructose biphosphatase 2 (FBPase 2)**

Phosphofructokinase-2(PFK-2).

Fructose 2,6-biphosphate is allosteric activator of PFK-1)

Fructose 2,6-biphosphate is the principal modulator

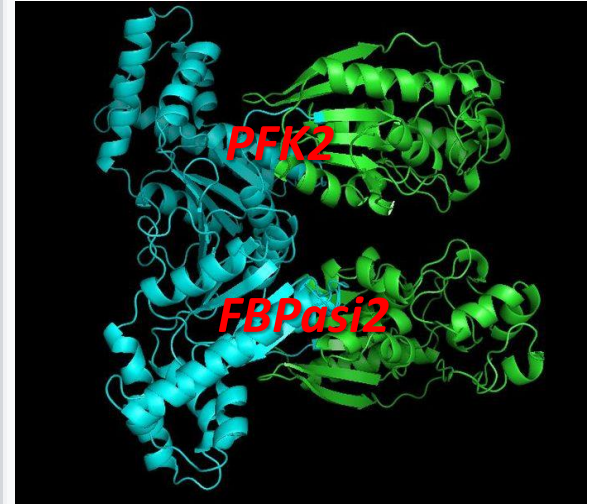
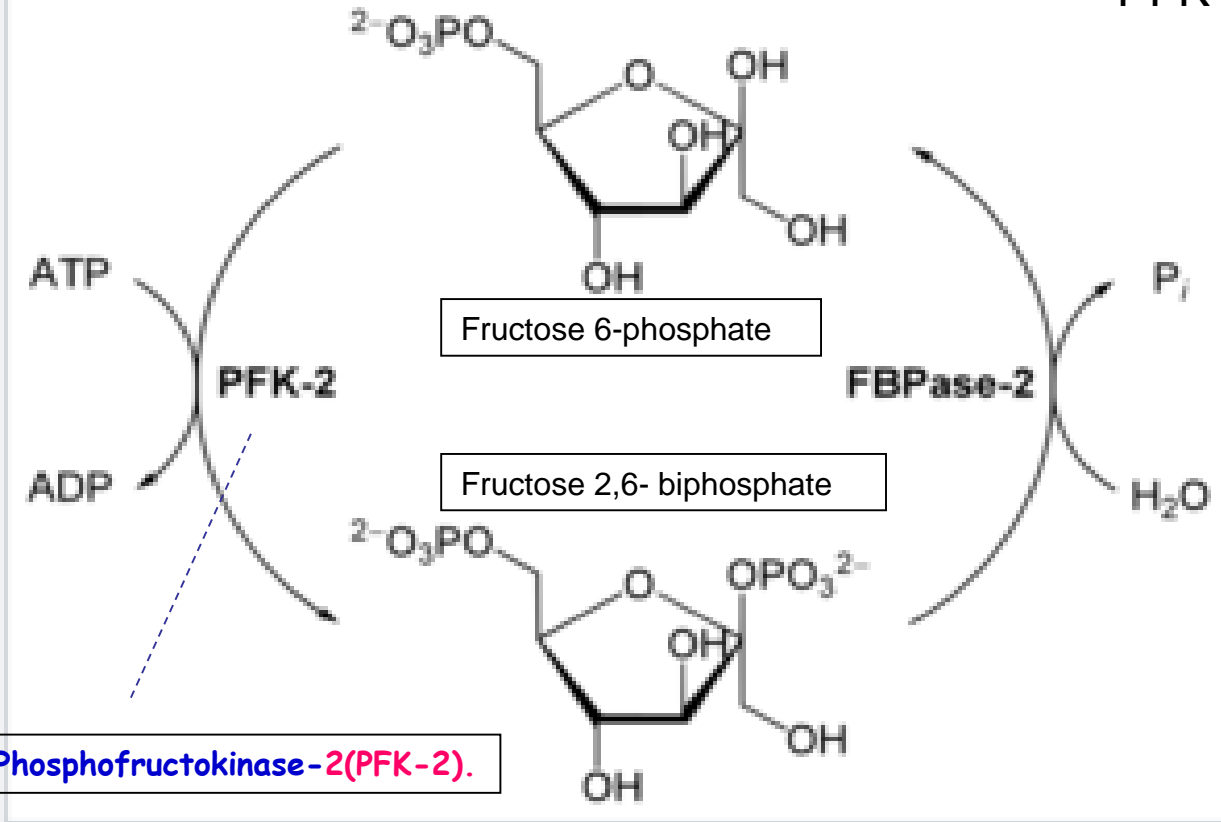
Key role in coordinated regulation between glycolysis and gluconeogenesis



Fructose 2,6-bisphosphate

PFK-2 and FBPasi-2 are in the same polypeptide chain and form a tandem or bifunctional enzyme.

PFK-2 and FBPasi-2 are a dimer.

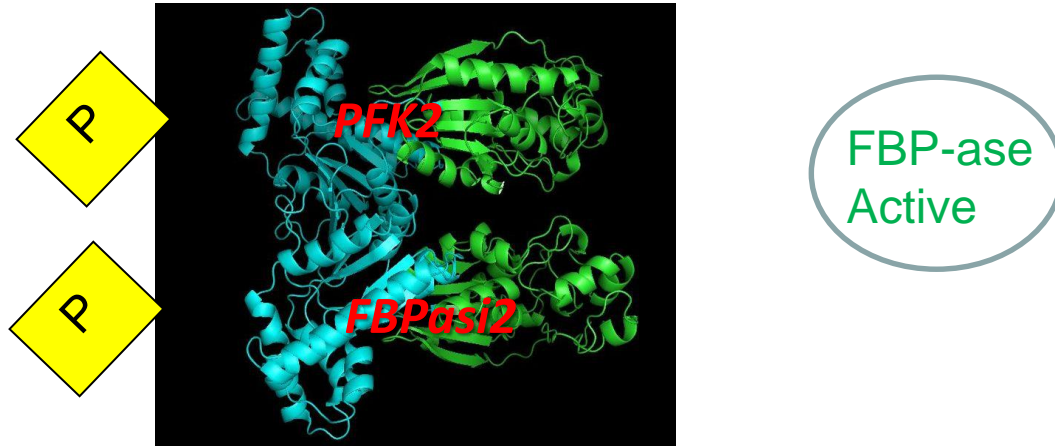


Activity is regulated by reversible phosphorylation

PFK2 and FBPasi 2 Activity are regulated by phosphorylation-dephosphorylation on N-terminal Ser₃₂ residue in each monomer

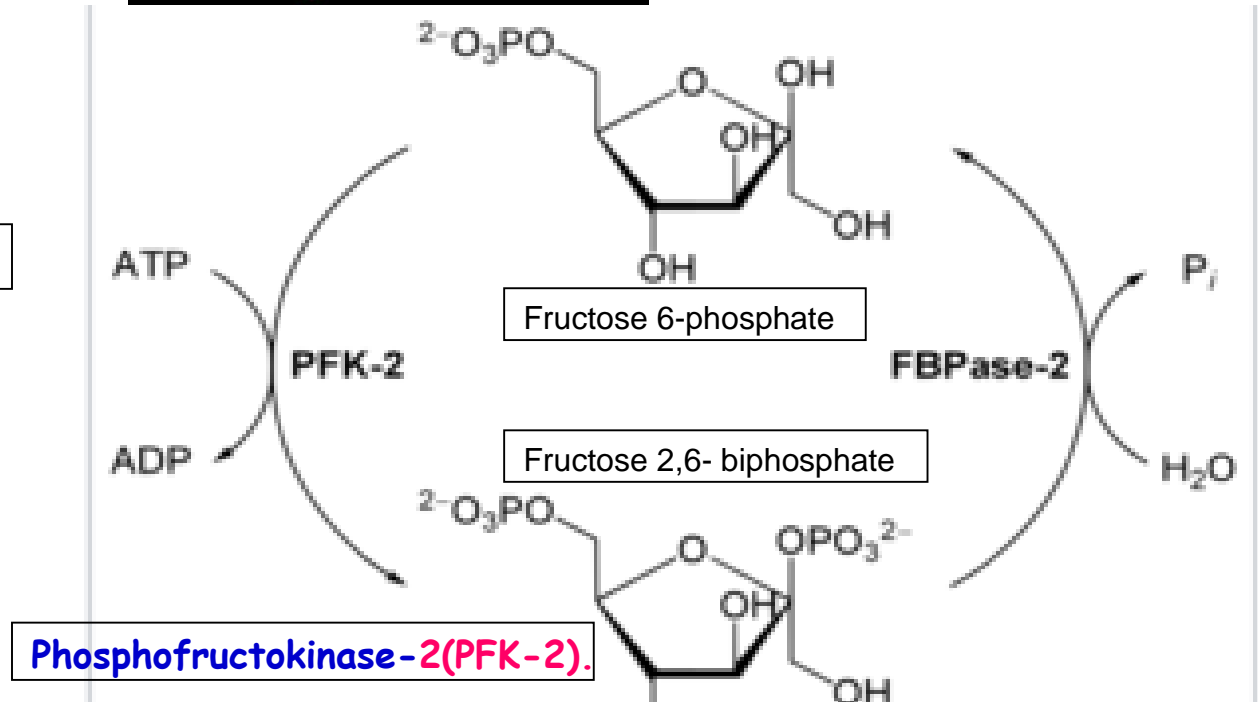
Phosphorylated enzyme

PFK2
Inactive



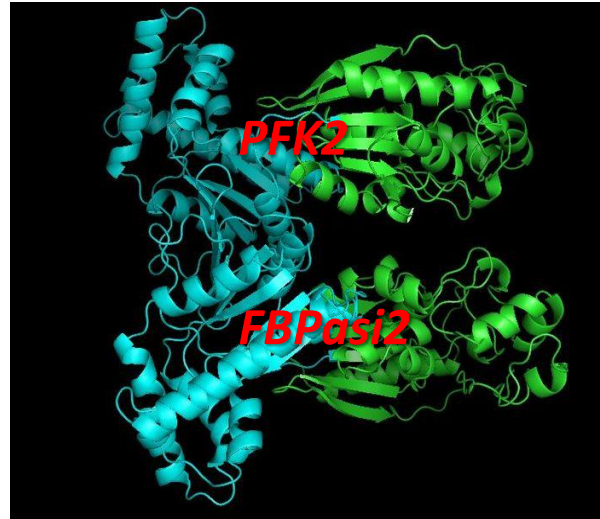
↓
[Fructose 2,6 biphosphate]

Glycolysis is inhibited



PFK2 and FBPase 2 Activity are regulated by phosphorylation-dephosphorylation on N-terminal Ser₃₂ residue in each monomer
dephosphorylated enzyme

PFK2
Active

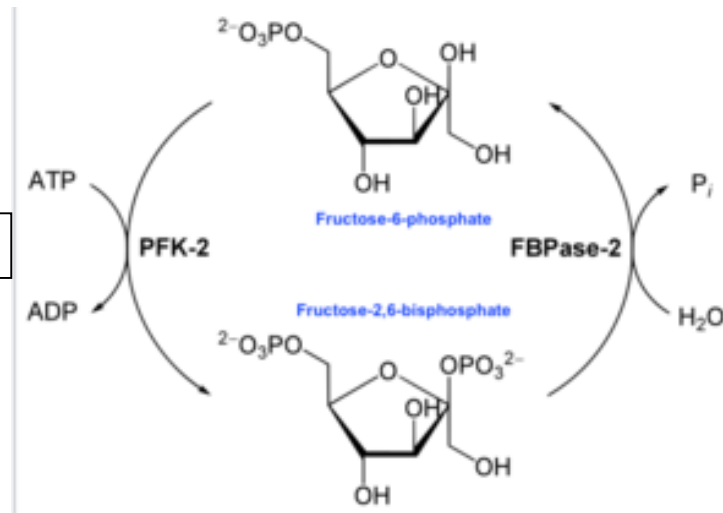


FBP-ase
Inactive



[Fructose 2,6 biphosphate]

Flow is directed
towards glycolysis

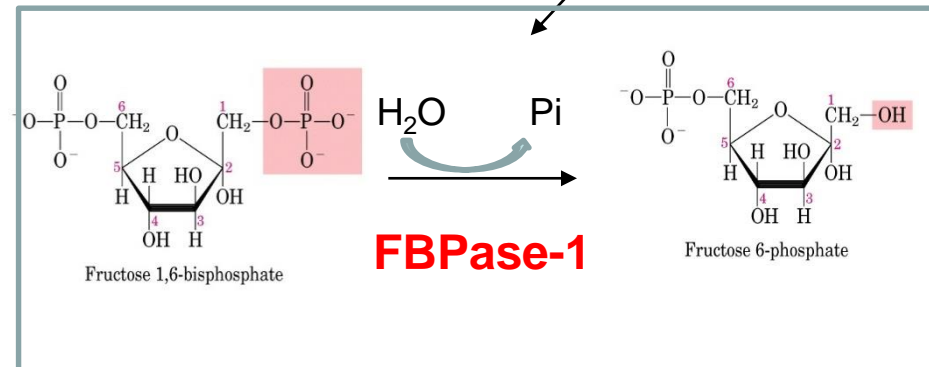
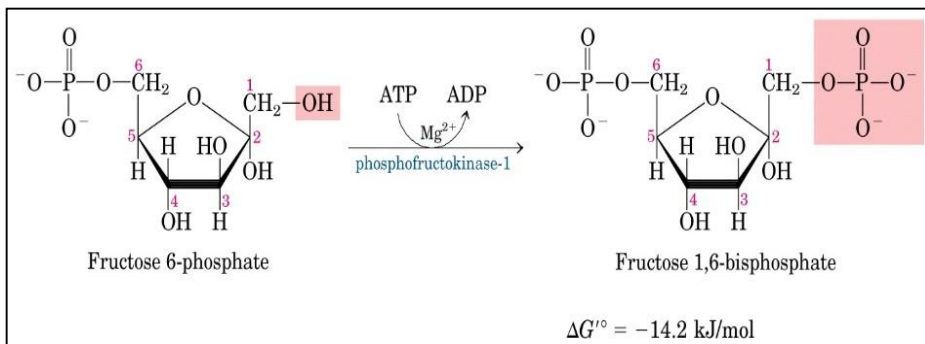
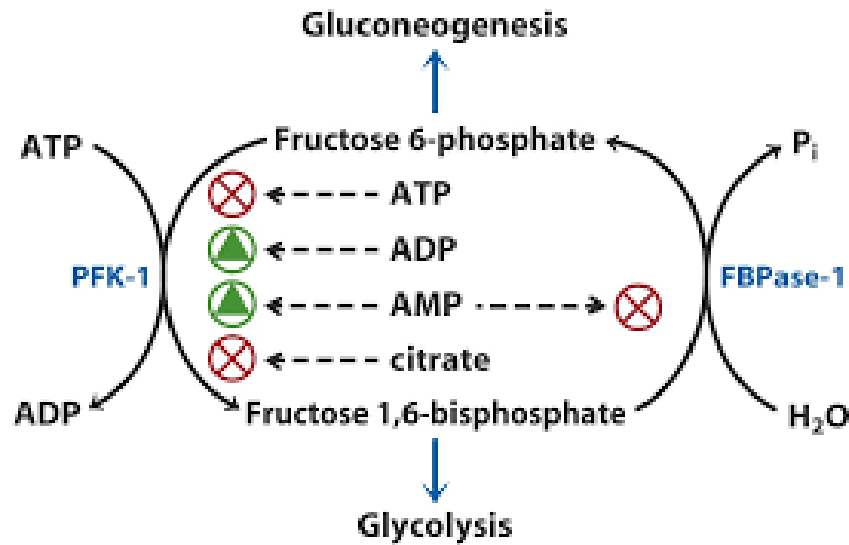


Fructose 2,6-
biphosphate (allosteric
activator of PFK-1)

Fructose 2,6-biphosphate

F2,6P
Activates PFK-1

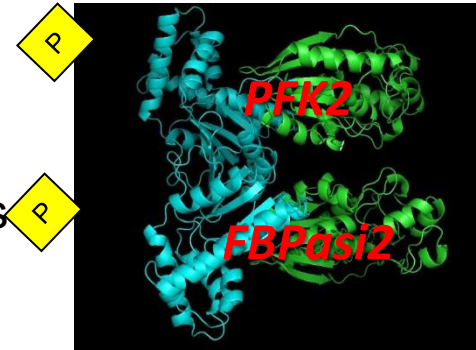
F2,6P
Inhibits FBPase-1



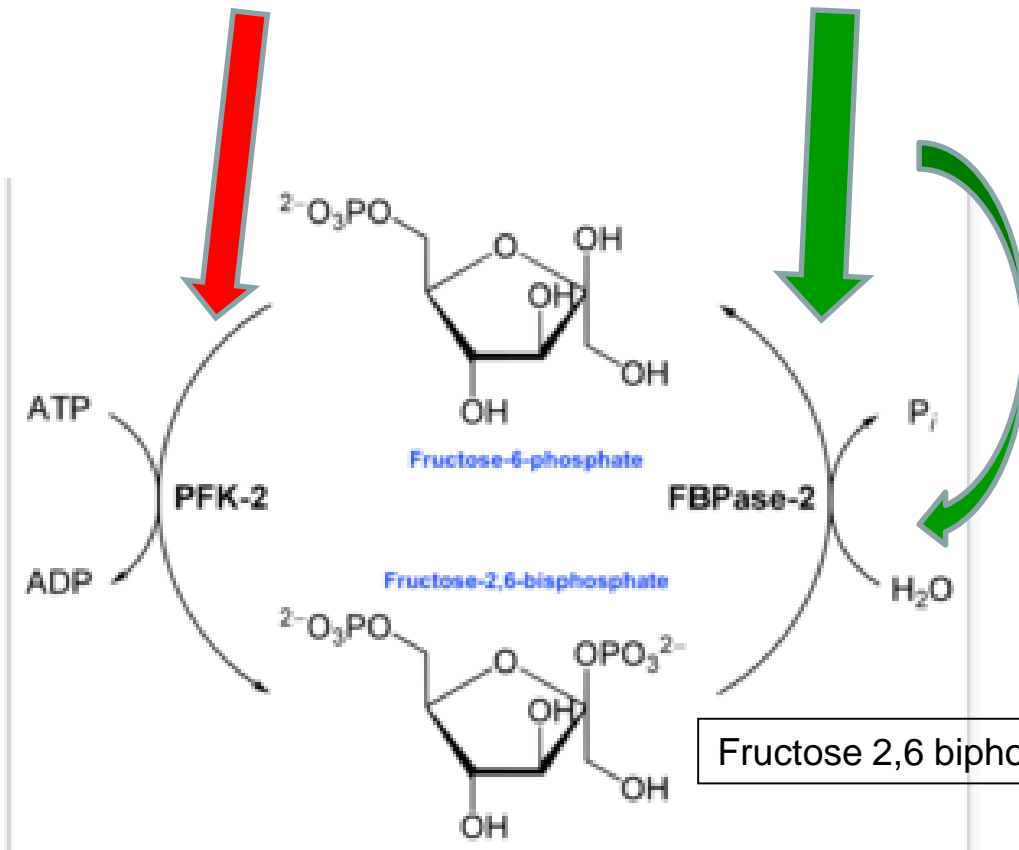
Hormonal Regulation

When [glucose] is low, glucagon stimulates the production of cAMP in hepatic cells. cAMP stimulates Protein kinase 2 (PK2) that phosphorylates bi-functional enzyme on Serine 32.

PFK2 inactive FBP-ase 2 active



PFK-2 is **inactive** and FBP-ase 2 **active**



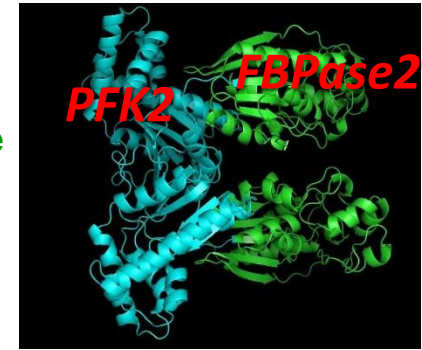
Flow is directed towards gluconeogenesis

Fructose 2,6 biphosphate decrease

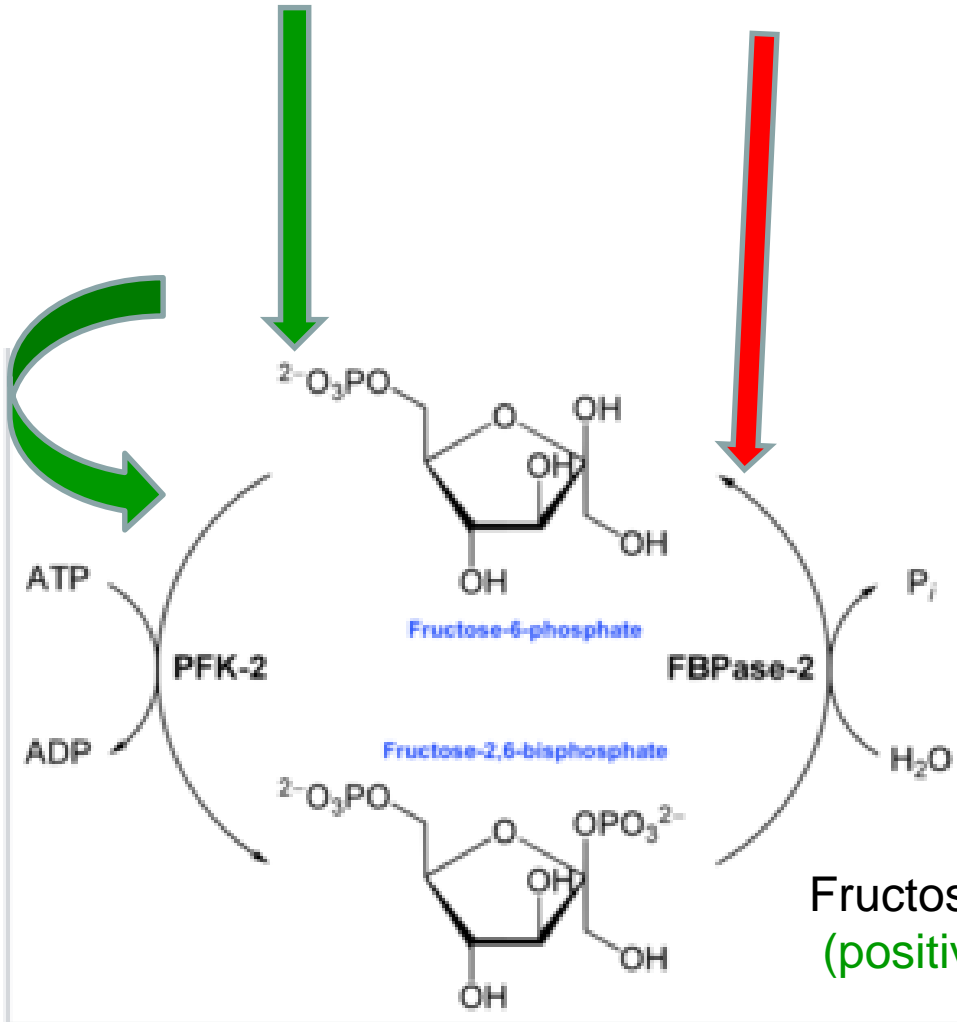
When [glucose] is high, decrease cAMP in hepatic cells.

Bi-functional enzyme is dephosphorilated.

PFK-2 is active and FBPase-2 is inactive

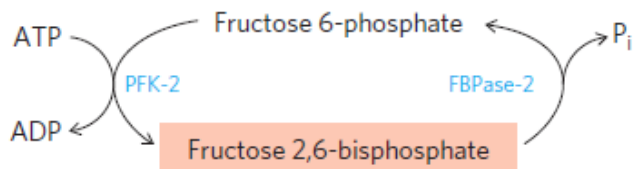


FBP-ase 2
Inactives

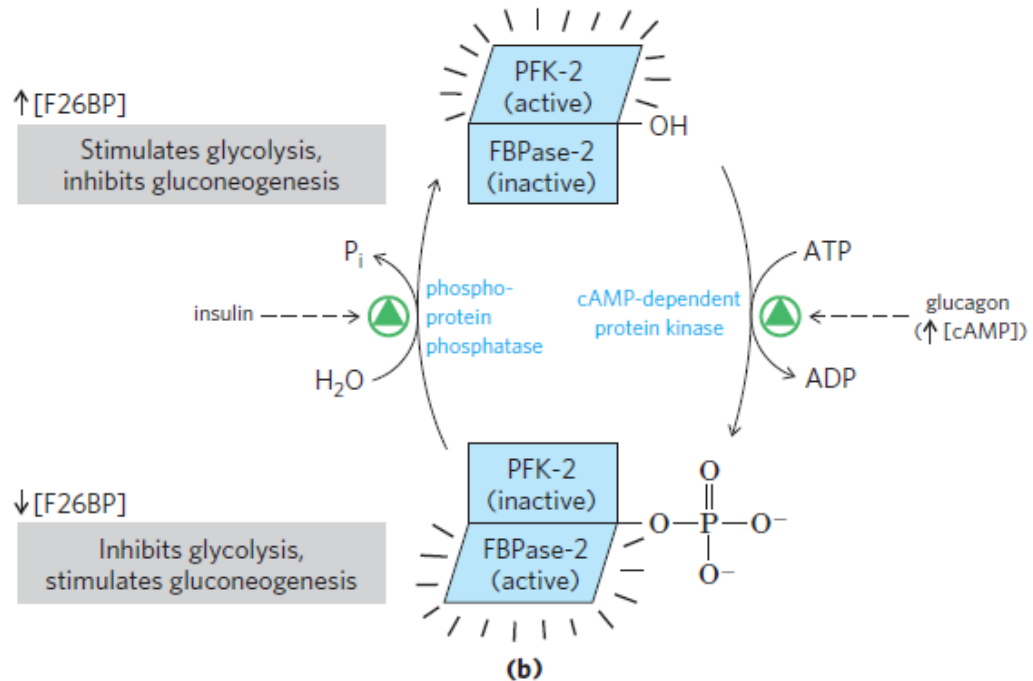


Flow is directed towards glycolysis

Fructose 2,6 biphosphate increases
(positive modulator of PFK-1)

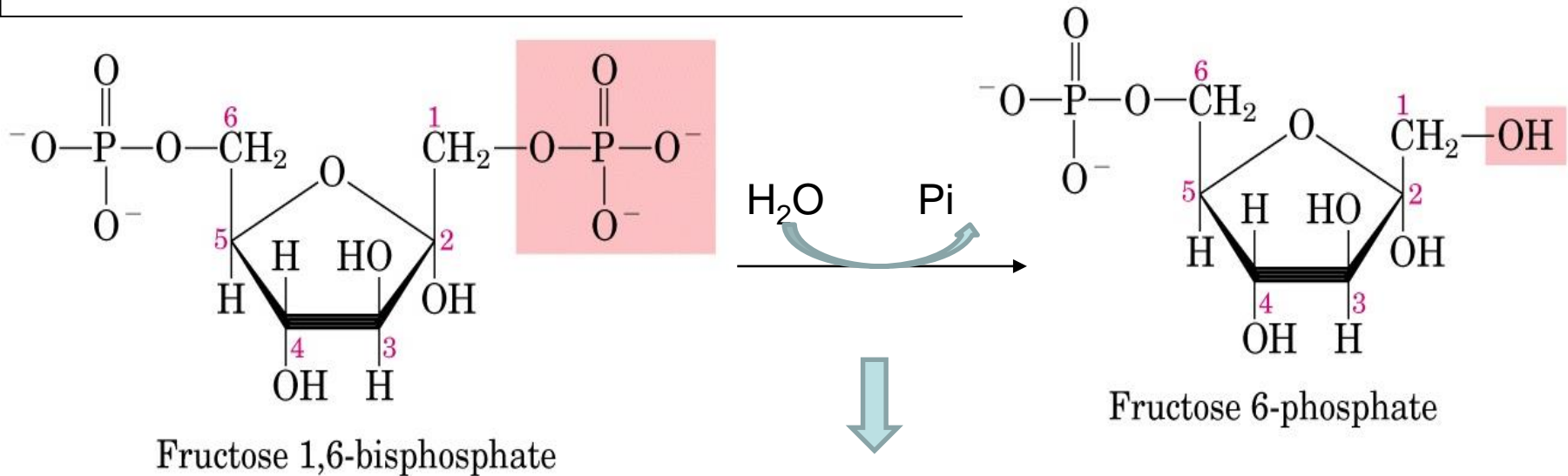


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- Fructose 1,6 biphosphatase

(gluconeogenesis)

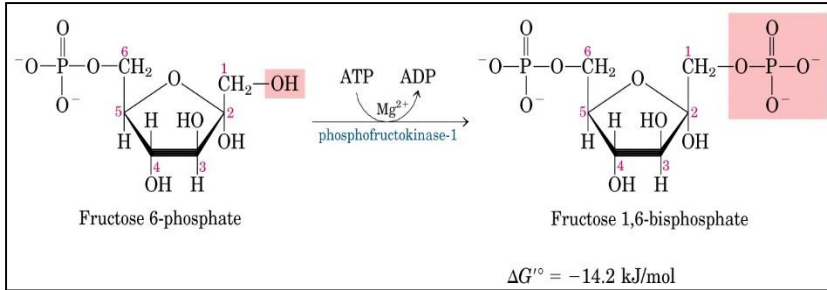


- **Fructose 1,6 biphosphatase**

The enzyme shows sigmoidal kinetics and is allosterically inhibited by AMP and a regulatory molecule, **fructose 2.6 bisphosphate**

Second step to regulation

Phosphofructokinase-1 (PFK-1).
(glycolysis)

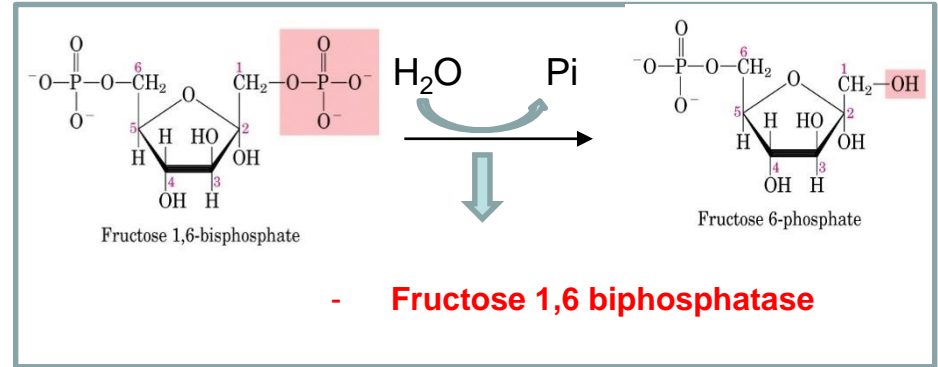


Inhibits from:

- ATP
- Citrate
- Alanine
- Fatty acids

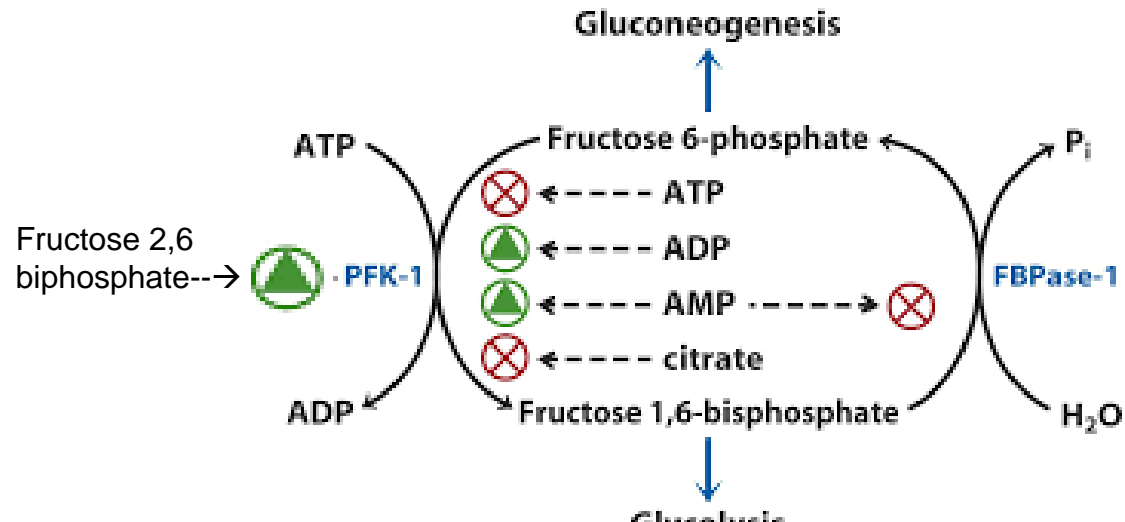
- Activated From :
- AMP, ADP
- Fructose 2,6 biphosphate

- **Fructose 1,6 biphosphatase 1 (gluconeogenesis)**

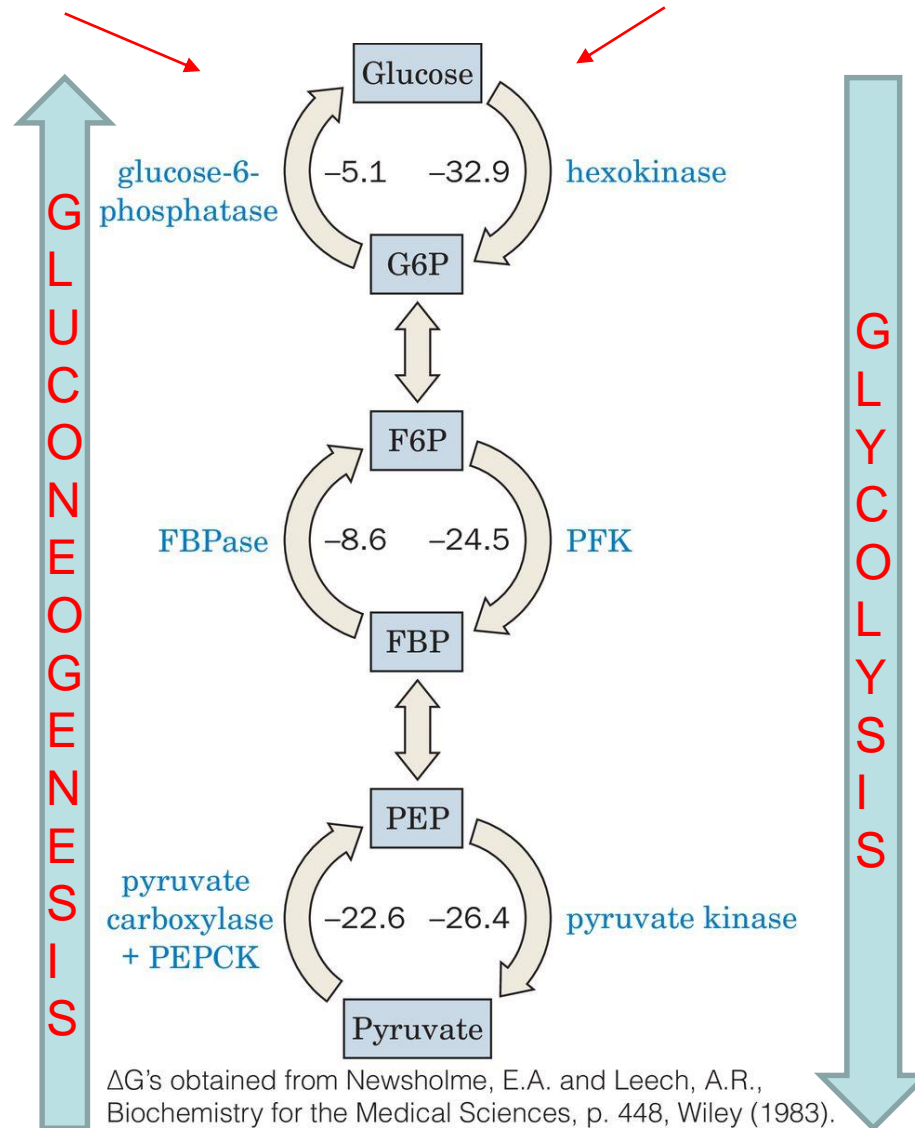


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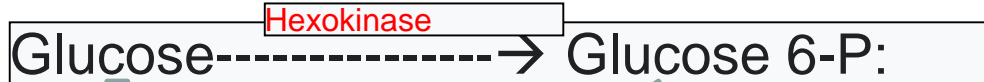
- Fructose 2,6 biphosphate
- AMP



Third step to regulation



Hexokinase (glycolysis)

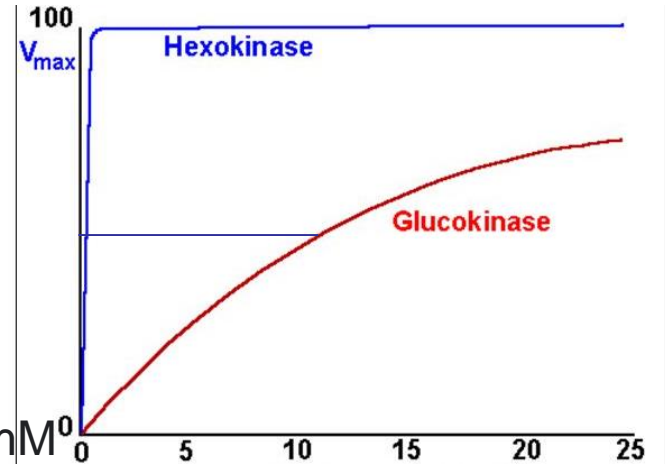


The role of glucose in the **liver** is to regulate blood sugar.

High affinity for glucose: since the glucose that enters the myocytes from the blood is sufficient to saturate the enzyme, it always works at maximum speed

Few concentration of glucose are converted to glucose 6-phosphate and sent towards glycolysis.

While in the **muscle** it is to produce energy



$K_m = 0,1 \text{ mM}$
Muscle is low


$K_m = 10 \text{ mM}$
Liver is high

Lower affinity for glucose. the glucose concentration at which the enzyme is half saturated is higher than the normal concentration of glucose in the blood.

When concentration of glucose exceeds blood concentration (5mM), glucose sent towards glycolysis

Hexokinase (glycolysis)

Glucose $\xrightarrow{\text{Hexokinase}}$ Glucose 6-P:



- **Muscle** and other tissue uses glucose to produce energy:
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Hexokinases I, II and III are inhibited from **high Glucose 6-P** concentrations

Muscle **hexokinases** are allosterically inhibited by their product,

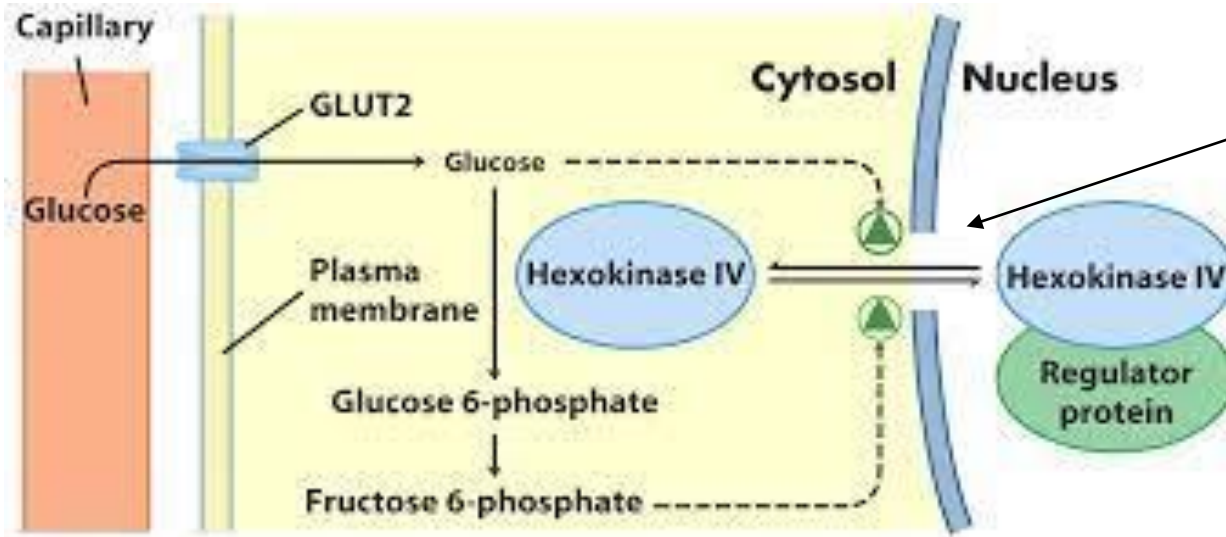
Liver maintains a constant blood glucose concentration:

Hexokinase IV (glucokinase) is not inhibited from **glucose 6 P** and phosphorylates glucose also when the G6P concentration is high.

Glucokinase Regulation (liver)

When blood **glucose is high excess glucose** is transported (GLUT2 transporter) into hepatocytes, where hexokinase IV converts it to glucose 6-phosphate.

Glucose enters the hepatocyte by **GLUT 2** transporter and is directed to the **glycolytic pathway**.



Nuclear pores

Hexokinase IV binds a regulator protein

Expressed in hepatocytes and localized in the nucleus

Glucose competes with fructose 6-phosphate for binding and causes dissociation of the regulatory protein from the hexokinase, **Hexokinase migrates from nucleus to cytosol and phosphorylates glucose**

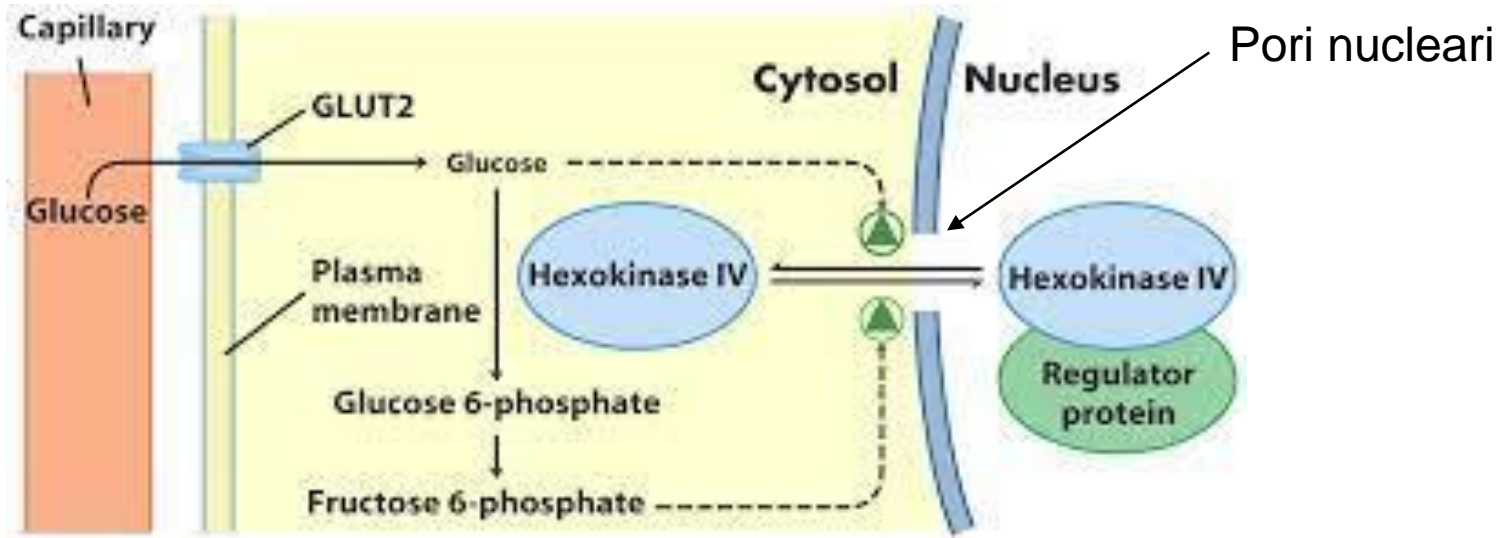
Glucokinase Regulation

Hexokinase IV is subject to inhibition by the reversible binding of a regulatory protein specific to liver

At low concentration of glucose

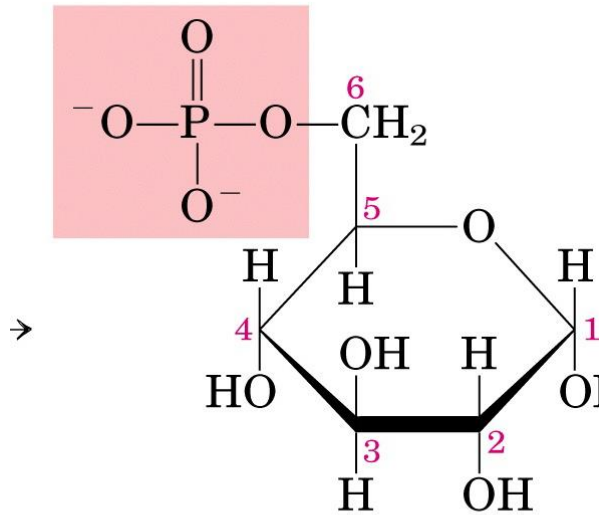
Fructose 6-phosphate triggers the inhibition of hexokinase IV by the regulatory protein,

Hexokinase are sequestered in the nucleus and glycolysis is inhibited

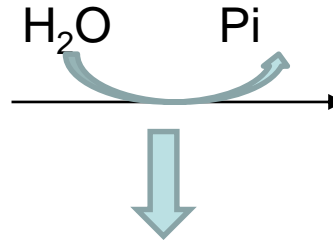


- Glucose 6-phosphatase (gluconeogenesis)

Found only in the liver, kidneys and small intestine



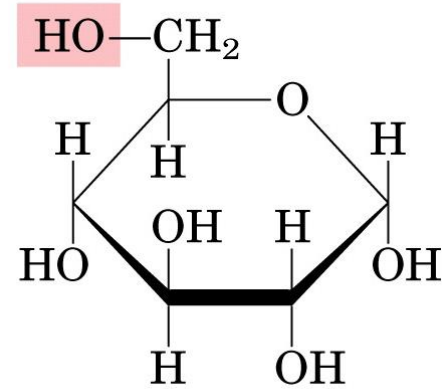
Glucose 6-phosphate



Glucose 6-phosphatase

it is linked to the endoplasmic reticulum with its active site exposed to the lumen.

The enzyme is part of a complex (glucose 6 phosphate transporter (G6PT) and a phosphate transporter.



Glucose

Is carried to the cell surface and sent to the bloodstream

G6PT transports G6P from the cytosol into the RE where it is hydrolyzed to glucose and Pi.

- **Glucose 6-phosphatase has not allosteric regulation**
- **Regulated only substrate concentration**

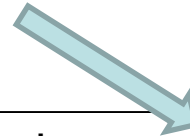
is carried back by the transporter to the cytosol

Hexokinase IV (Glucokinase) and Glucose 6-Phosphatase are Transcriptionally Regulated

- **Hexokinase IV** is also regulated at the **level of protein synthesis**.



-greater energy production
(low [ATP],
high [AMP],
vigorous muscle contraction)



- greater glucose consumption
(high blood glucose)

increased transcription of the hexokinase IV gene.

- **Glucose 6-phosphatase** is transcriptionally regulated



necessary production of glucose
(low blood glucose, glucagon signaling).